

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF AGAWAM,
For the Year Ending March 15,
1897.



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TOWN OFFICERS, 1896-97.

Town Clerk and Treasurer.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Board of Health.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

EDWIN LEONARD, 2d,

R. MATHER TAYLOR.

School Committee.

EDWIN LEONARD, Chairman, term expires 1899.

HENRY L. TOWER, term expires 1897.

CAROLINE S. HAYWARD, term expires 1898.

Tax Collectors.

LEWIS A. BARDEN, Agawam. EDWARD M. WRIGHT, Feeding Hills,

AMOS GOSSELIN, Mittineague.

Auditors.

JOHN G. FREELAND. DAVID L. BOWE.

Trustees of the Public Library.

HENRY L. TOWER, term expires 1897.

CAROLINE S. HAYWARD, term expires 1898.

S. NEWELL SMITH, term expires 1899.

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund.

SAMUEL L. JOHNSON, term expires 1897.

Sinking Fund Commissioners.

SETH N. BENNETT, term expires 1897.

DAVID L. BOWE, term expires 1898.

WM. H. GRANGER, term expires 1899.

Constables.

JAMES M. BEAN, HORACE D. BLAISDELL, WILLIS C. CAMPBELL,

CHARLES GOSSELIN, JOHN L. HUBBARD,

ELMER E. MCINTIRE, T. J. O'BRIEN,

H. VAN NESS ROBERTS.

ALBERT E. WORTHINGTON.

EDWARD M. WRIGHT.

Fence Viewers.

WILLIS C. CAMPBELL, JAMES F. BARRY,

SANFORD H. SAWYER, EPHRAIM PRINCE,

CHAUNCEY P. WILSON.

Field Drivers.

F. A. SCOTT, MONROE HAYWARD, JERRE ADAMS,
JAMES G. KING, JAMES. H. CLARK, ELMER E. MCINTIRE,

ROLLIN C. POMEROY, JAMES S. SMITH, THOMAS HALLORAN,

JOHN WRIGHT, ETHAN D. ALLEN, ROBERT ELY, Jr.

Surveyors of Lumber.

ROBERT ELY, Jr.

JAMES W. MOORE.

Measurers of Wood.

CHARLES W. HASTINGS, HARVEY E. PORTER,

HENRY L. TOWER, ALBERT K. FULLER,

ALSON W. ALLEN, JAMES W. MOORE.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

JOHN G. FREELAND.

Sealer of Leather.

SUMNER CLARK.

Public Weighers.

CHARLES W. HASTINGS,

HARVEY E. PORTER,

ALBERT K. FULLER,

DANIEL LEONARD.

Fish Wardens.

LEVI RIVERS,

FRANK P. COVILL.

Forest Fire Wardens.

ROBERT ELY, Jr.,

WILSON J. WARRINER,

WM. H. PORTER,

BYRON C. ROBERTS.

Inspector of Animals and Provisions.

EDWIN LEONARD.

Registrars of Voters.

GEORGE D. FISK, chairman, term expires 1897,

EDWARD A. KELLOGG, term expires 1898.

HENRY A. HUNTINGTON, term expires 1899.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS (ex officio).

Representative To the General Court, Second Hampden District.

WILLIAM H. PORTER, of Agawam.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 1, 1897.

ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL 6, 1896.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Result of vote for Moderator :

William H. Porter received	.	.	.	.	28
James W. Moore received	.	.	.	.	3

ARTICLE 2. To bring in their votes for a Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, three Assessors, three Overseers of the Poor, a Board of Health of three members, three Collectors of Taxes, two Auditors, ten Constables, one School Committeeman for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for two years, also their votes in answer to the question : " Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town," all upon one ballot.

Voted—To proceed to vote for the officers specified and on the question " Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town."

Elmer E. McIntire and John O'Connell appointed ballot clerks were sworn by the Moderator. A package containing five hundred and fifty official ballots and seventy-five ballots "for women only" was delivered to the ballot clerks and their receipt taken for the same. Ballot box inspected, found empty, dial set at 0-0-0, locked and key delivered to a constable.

Voted—To close the polls at 4. p. m.

At the close of the polls the Moderator appointed as tellers to assist in the counting of the ballots, John R. Bodurtha, George D. Fisk, John O'Connell, Henry L. Tower, Charles W. Hastings, Albert H. Brown, Daniel Murphy, James H. Clark, George H. Havens, Edward A. Kellogg, Scott Adams, James F. Barry. They were sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties by the Moderator.

At the close of the polls the dial registered . . .	337
Names checked on both lists males 335, females . . .	2
Number of ballots found in the box, . . .	337
Result of the vote for town officers as declared later :	

For Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Judson W. Hastings of Feeding Hills received . . .	184
Frederick A. Worthington of Agawam, received . . .	123
Blanks,	28

For Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Board of Health.

Henry E. Bodurtha of Agawam, received . . .	273
Daniel J. Collins of Mittineague, received . . .	117
Homer W. Halladay of Feeding Hills, received . . .	115
Edwin Leonard 2nd, of Mittineague, received . . .	205
R. Mather Taylor of Feeding Hills, received . . .	201
Judson W. Hastings of Feeding Hills, received . . .	1
Blanks,	93

For School Committee for Three Years.

Albert K. Fuller of Feeding Hills, received. . . .	132
Edwin Leonard of Feeding Hills, received	194
Blanks,	11

For Tax Collectors.

Lewis A. Barden of Agawam, received	166
James J. Carroll of Feeding Hills, received	101
Amos Gosselin of Mittineague, received	252
George H. Reed of Agawam, received	144
Edward M. Wright of Feeding Hills, received	202
Blanks,	140

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For Library Trustee for Three Years.

S. Newell Smith of Feeding Hills, received	253
Blanks,	82

For Sinking Fund Commissioner for Three Years.

William H. Granger of Feeding Hills, received	186
Oscar A. Parks of Feeding Hills, received	127
Blanks,	22

For Trustees of Whiting Street Fund for Two Years.

Fred P. Halladay of Feeding Hills, received,	153
Fred A. Sykes of Agawam, received	153
Blanks,	29

For Auditors.

David L. Bowe of Agawam, received	170
Charles P. Davis of Agawam, received,	113
Frank L. Johnson of Feeding Hills, received	127
John G. Freeland of Feeding Hills, received	185
Blanks,	75

For Constables.

James M. Bean of Mittineague,	166
Horace D. Blaisdell of Agawam,	201
Willis C. Campbell of Agawam,	222
James J. Carroll of Feeding Hills,	138
Charles Gosselin of Mittineague,	191
John L. Hubbard of Agawam,	150
Elmer E. McIntire of Feeding Hills,	208
T. J. O'Brien of Mittineague,	182
H. Van Ness Roberts of Feeding Hills,	145
J. Arsene Roy of Mittineague,	124
Thomas J. Sullivan of Mittineague,	121
Albert E. Worthington of Agawam,	213
Edward M. Wright of Feeding Hills,	217
Blanks,	1,072

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?

Yes,	.	.	.	.	.	147
No,	.	.	.	.	.	155
Blanks,	.	.	.	.	.	33

ARTICLE 3. To choose all necessary town officers not provided for in the foregoing article.

The following were elected by acclamation :

FENCE VIEWERS.—Willis C. Campbell, James F. Barry, Sanford H. Sawyer, Ephraim Prince, Chauncy P. Wilson.

FIELD DRIVERS.—F. A. Scott, Monroe Hayward, Jerre Adams, James G. King, James H. Clark, Elmer E. McIntire, Rollin C. Pomeroy, James S. Smith, Thomas Halloran, John Wright, Ethan D. Allen, Robert Ely, Jr.

Voted—On motion of T. M. Roberts to leave the rest of the minor offices to be filled by appointments to be made by the Selectmen.

Voted—On motion of E. L. Thompson to pass over articles 4, 5 and 6 and take up article 7.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will appropriate a sum not to exceed thirty-five dollars for Memorial Day.

Voted—To appropriate the sum of thirty-five dollars for Memorial Day.

Voted—On motion of W. L. Meacham to take up article 6.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow temporarily in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, the sum of ten thousand dollars, as the same may be from time to time required, and give the note or notes of the Town for the money so borrowed, and that he be also authorized to pay such loans from said taxes.

Voted—On the motion of John G. Freeland, that, after the collection of the taxes now due the town, the Treasurer be authorized to borrow the balance between that sum and ten thousand dollars as

the same may be from time to time required and give the note or notes of the Town for the money so borrowed and that he be authorized to pay such loans from said taxes. Affirmative 46, negative 8.

Voted—On the motion of Oscar A. Parks, that the Selectmen or the Town Treasurer be instructed to proceed against the Tax Collectors or their bondsmen for the collection of the taxes now due the town and that the said taxes be paid into the Town Treasury on or before July first next.

ARTICLE 5. To see what method the town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Voted—That the care of the poor be left with the Overseers of the Poor.

ARTICLE 4. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Voted—To accept the Town Clerk's report as printed.

"	"	Treasurer's	"	"
"	"	Assessors'	"	"
"	"	Overseers of the Poor	"	"
"	"	Selectmens'	"	"
"	"	Library Trustees'	"	"
"	"	School Committees'	"	with an

amendment of non-concurrence in regard to recommendation regarding the South End School.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to build a sewer or sewers in Mittineague, and appropriate money for the same.

Voted—On motion of James W. Moore to lay on the table.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appropriate the proceeds from the sale of school buildings and lots previously ordered, towards completion of the new school buildings in Mittineague.

Voted—On motion of W. L. Meacham, that the Selectmen be authorized to appropriate the proceeds of the sale of the old school buildings and lots in the village of Mittineague, towards the completion of the new school building in that village.

Voted—On motion of W. L. Meacham, that the selectmen be authorized to sell the said buildings at public auction.

ARTICLE 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to furnishing the new school building now in process of completion.

Voted—On motion of James W. Moore, that the Selectmen be instructed and directed to use the furniture now in use in the old school buildings in Mittineague, to furnish the new school building.

Voted—On motion of Wm. L. Meacham, that the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated towards furnishing the new school building.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to pay for the new school-house lot, previously ordered and purchased.

Voted—On motion of Oscar L. King, to appropriate the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars to pay for the new school-house lot.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will maintain a high school, or pay tuition in schools of other towns.

Voted—On motion of Henry E. Bodurtha, that we pay the tuitions of High school pupils, in other towns.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote a discount on taxes.

Voted—That a discount of five per cent, be allowed on all taxes paid on or before October 20, 1896.

ARTICLE 14. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year, and to vote to raise by tax such sums of money as may be required for the same.

Voted—To appropriate and raise by tax for

Schools, Superintendent and Supplies,	\$ 5,500.00
High School Tuition, . . . . .	. 800.00
Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	. 1,800.00
Support of Poor, . . . . .	. 2,800.00
Contingencies . . . . .	. 800.00
Town Officers, . . . . .	. 1,000 00
State Aid, . . . . .	. 250.00

South End Bridge,	.	.	.	.	.	\$500.00
Interest, .	.	.	.	.	.	1,800.00
Sinking Fund,	.	.	.	.	.	900.00
Town Debt,	.	.	.	.	.	600.00
Care of Town Halls,	.	.	.	.	.	200.00
Repair of Town Buildings,	.	.	.	.	.	200.00
Street Lights,	.	.	.	.	.	100.00
Collection of Taxes,	.	.	.	.	.	300.00
Discount on Taxes,	750.00
Memorial Day,	35.00
School-house Lot,	850.00
School Furniture,	300.00
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						\$19,485.00

Voted—That the sum of nineteen thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars in addition to the State and County taxes be assessed upon the polls of the inhabitants, and the estates of the residents and non-residents of Agawam, and be committed to the Collectors of Taxes for collection on or before Sept. 1, 1896.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to divide Precinct B for State and National Elections, and accept the following division : That part of Precinct B lying east of the line known as the parish line between Agawam and Feeding Hills, to be known as Precinct B. That part of Precinct B lying west of said parish line to be known as Precinct C.

The requirements of law not having been fully complied with, this article was declared out of order and passed over.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will appropriate a sum sufficient to place a marker of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at the grave of each Revolutionary soldier or sailor buried in this town, the expense not to exceed one dollar each.

Voted—On motion of Samuel Flower, that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to secure and place a marker at the grave of each Revolutionary soldier or sailor buried in this town, and

that a sum not to exceed twelve dollars be taken from the Contingent appropriation for the expense of the same.

Committee appointed: Samuel Flower, Reuben De Witt and Scott Adams.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will accept the following list of jurors: William H. Harmon, Henry A. Huntington, Charles W. Hull, David L. Bowe, Brette H. Whitman, Orton A. Cushman, John R. Bodurtha, Charles R. Miller, Almon Jones, George H. Reed, Frank L. Johnson, Albert K. Fuller, Edward L. Johnson, Amos P. Elton, George Taylor, Albert R. Mecum, John H. Sullivan, Charles L. Huntley, James S. Smith, John F. Shea, Daniel J. Collins, George D. Cooley, John B. Warren, Albert Provost, Arthur Roberts, John O'Connell.

Voted—To accept the list named by the Selectmen with the following amendments, viz: Andrew J. Todd in place of Charles W. Hull and George H. Taylor in place of George Taylor.

ARTICLE 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted—On motion of Reuben De Witt that fifty dollars be appropriated from the Contingent fund to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, for the enforcement of the liquor law.

After the declaration of the result of the vote for town officers the Town Clerk Elect was sworn to a faithful discharge of his duties, by the Moderator.

Voted to adjourn.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 25, 1896.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
Result of ballot: Wm. H. Porter received twenty-three votes.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to build a sewer in Mittineague district and provide for the payment of the same.

Voted—On motion of Edward K. Bodurtha, that the Selectmen be authorized to secure plans and estimates for the building of a sewer or sewers in the Mittineague district, subject to the approval of the engineer of the State Board of Health and report the same at the next annual town meeting. Affirmative 18, negative 13.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will revoke or in any way modify their vote passed at the last annual meeting whereby they instructed the Selectmen to sell the old school-house property at public auction.

Voted—On motion of T. M. Roberts, that the Selectmen be authorized to sell the old school property at Mittineague at public auction or private sale at their discretion, without limitation of time and that all previous votes be hereby rescinded relating to the sale of said property.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town desires to revoke any or all previous action in regard to officers to be elected annually and provide what officers shall hereafter be elected annually.

Voted—On motion of T. M. Roberts, that action on this article shall be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow temporarily, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year a sum not to exceed four thousand dollars, as the same may be from time to time required, and to give the note or notes of the town for money so borrowed and that he also be authorized to pay such loans from said taxes.

Voted unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. To see what instruction the Town will give the Selectmen in regard to County Commissioners order on Silver Street so called.

Voted--On motion of E. K. Bodurtha that the Selectmen be authorized to petition the County Commissioners to modify their order in regard to working Silver Street road.

Voted--On motion of W. L. Meacham, that this meeting be dissolved.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE AND NATIONAL ELECTION.

NOVEMBER 3, 1896.

HAMPDEN, S. S.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Agawam in said County.

GREETING: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to warn and notify the inhabitants of the Town of Agawam qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the following described places: Those resident in Precinct A, in the basement of the school-house situated in said precinct, and those resident in Precinct B, in the Town Hall in Feeding Hills, on Tuesday, the third day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, then and there to bring in their votes for fifteen electors for President and Vice-President, Governor, Lieut. Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, Councilor for the Eighth District, Representative in the General Court for the Second Hampden District, Representative in Congress for the First District, Clerk of Courts for Hampden County, County Commissioners for Hampden County, Senator for the Second Hampden District, also to bring in their votes "yes" or "no" to the questions: "Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution establishing biennial elections for State officers be approved and ratified"? "Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution establishing biennial elections of members of the General Court be approved and ratified"? The polls will be opened at six o'clock a. m., and may be closed in four hours, and must be closed before sunset. And you are directed to

serve this warrant by posting attested copies, one in each of the Post Offices in said town and one in the store of Hermenegilde Letellier, at least seven days before the time for holding said election. Whereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time of holding said election.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of October, eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
EDWIN LEONARD, 2nd,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,

Selectmen of Agawam.

Agawam, October 25, 1896. I have served the above warrant as directed.

JAMES M. BEAN,

Constable.

At a meeting of the Selectmen held October 5, 1896, the following Precinct Officers were appointed :

<i>Precinct A</i> —Warden,	John B. Warren
Deputy Warden,	Woodman Pillsbury
Clerk,	John O'Connell
Deputy Clerk,	Patrick T. Donovan
Inspectors,	Daniel J. Collins, Henry L. Tower
Deputy Inspectors,	Daniel Murphy, Amos Gosselin

<i>Precinct B</i> —Warden,	John G. Freeland
Deputy Warden,	Ralph Perry, Jr.
Clerk,	Lewis A. Barden
Deputy Clerk,	James F. Barry
Inspectors,	Elmer E. McIntire, John R. Bodurtha
Deputy Inspectors,	Scott Adams, Frank L. Johnson

DIGEST OF THE REPORTS OF THE PRECINCT CLERKS, AGAWAM, NOVEMBER 3, 1896.

Voters assembled at the polling places designated in the warrant. Sealed packages received from the Secretary of State were delivered to the Wardens, who gave receipts for the same. The ballot boxes were inspected, locked and keys delivered to Constables.

The precinct officers were sworn by the Wardens, who had previously been sworn by the Town Clerk.

In Precinct A, it was voted to close the polls at 3 p. m.

In Precinct B, it was voted to close the polls at 4 p. m.

At close of polls, names checked in Precinct A,	.	108
“ “ “ “ “ B,	.	315
Number of ballots found in box, in Precinct A, .	.	108
“ “ “ “ “ B,	.	315
Dial registered Precinct B, “ “	.	315

RESULT OF COUNT.

FOR ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

AT LARGE.	PRECINCT A.	PRECINCT B.	TOTAL
Ernest C. Marshall of Boston received	48	59	107
Daniel W. Kenney of Holyoke,	48	59	107
Henry Winn of Malden,	3	3	6
Edward Kendall of Cambridge,		1	1
Alfred W. Richardson of Springfield,		1	1
John Q. A. Brackett of Arlington,	46	217	263
William H. Haile of Springfield,	46	217	263
Thomas J. Gargan of Boston,	1	15	16
James S. Grinnell of Greenfield,	1	15	16
Blanks,	23	43	66

DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.	PRECINCT A.	PRECINCT B.	TOTAL
William B. Mahoney of Westfield,	48	59	107
Frank S. Gross of Lee,	2	1	3
Edward S. Rogers of Lee,		1	1
Franklin Carter of Williamstown,	46	217	263
James W. Hull of Pittsfield,	1	15	16
Blanks,	11	22	33

DISTRICT NUMBER TWO.			
Joseph F. Callahan of Springfield,	48	59	107
William M. E. Mellen of Chicopee,	3	3	6
Hubbard Lawrence of Palmer,		1	1
Augustus Coolidge of Athol,	46	217	263
Leander B. Morse of Athol,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER THREE.			
Levi Barker of Worcester,	48	59	107
Enoch Earle of Worcester,	3	3	6
Arthur F. Whitins of Northbridge,	46	217	263
Eben S. Stevens of Dudley,	1	15	16
John Holt of Sutton,		1	1
Blanks,			30

DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR.			
Henry J. Jaquith of Wellesley,	48	59	107
Harry J. Jaquith of Wellesley,	3	3	6
Edward G. Watkins of Gardiner,		1	1
Charles H. Moulton of Waltham,	46	217	263
Charles J. Williams of Acton,	1	15	16
Blanks,			30

DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE.			
Michael O. Mahoney of Lawrence,	48	59	107
James E. Donoghue of Lawrence,	3	3	6
James K. Fellows of Lowell,		1	1
Joseph Miller of Lowell,	46	217	263
Sam D. Stevens of North Andover,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER SIX.	PRECINCT A.	PRECINCT B.	TOTAL
James P. Dearborn of Haverhill,	48	59	107
Thomas Sanders of Haverhill,	3	3	6
Albert B. Coats of Beverly,		1	1
Sylvanus Smith of Gloucester,	46	217	263
Robert S. Rantoul of Salem,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN.			
Edward B. Newhall of Lynn,	48	59	107
William J. Brickley of Everett,	3	3	6
Seth Weston of Chelsea,		1	1
Edward W. LaCroix of Lynn,	46	217	263
Samuel K. Hamilton of Wakefield,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT.			
John P. McCormick of Cambridge,	48	59	107
Abijah Hall of Boston,		1	1
Robert O. Fuller of Cambridge,	46	217	263
Godfrey Morse of Boston,	1	15	16
Blanks,	13	23	36

DISTRICT NUMBER NINE.			
James J. Lanigan of Boston,	48	59	107
William J. Burke of Boston,	3	3	6
Charles A. Abbott of Boston,		1	1
Peter Morrison of Boston,	46	217	263
Sigourney Butler of Boston,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER TEN.			
Quincy A. Lothrop of Boston,	51	62	113
William J. Hurd of Boston,		1	1
John C. Cobb of Milton,	46	217	263
Daniel L. Prendergast of Boston,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER ELEVEN.	PRECINCT A.	PRECINCT B.	TOTAL
William D. Leahy of Milford,	48	59	107
James Jeffrey Roche of Brookline,	3	3	6
William H. Partridge of Newton,		1	1
Wilbur H. Powers of Hyde Park,	46	217	263
James E. Cotter of Hyde Park,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER TWELVE.

Francis A. Hobart of Braintree,	51	62	113
Edwin Sawtelle of Brockton,		1	1
Henry A. Thomas of Weymouth,	46	217	263
Charles G. Davis of Plymouth,	1	15	16
Blanks,	10	20	30

DISTRICT NUMBER THIRTEEN.

Thomas J. Meany of New Bedford,	48	59	107
Charles H. Lane of Tisbury,	2	1	3
Charles A. Chase of Swanzev,		1	1
Edmund Anthony, Jr. of Fair Haven,	46	217	263
Louis B. Thacher of Yarmouth,	1	15	16
Blanks,	11	22	33

FOR GOVERNOR.

Thomas C. Brophy of Somerville,		1	1
Allen Coffin of Nantucket,		4	4
Frederick O. Prince of Boston,	1	13	14
George Fred Williams of Dedham, Democratic,	45	56	101
George Fred Williams of Dedham, People's Party,	2	1	3
George Fred Williams of Dedham, Dem. Bryan Nom. Paper,	2	11	13
George Fred Williams of Dedham, Without Political Designation,		5	5
Roger Wolcott of Boston,	46	190	236
Blanks,	14	34	46

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.	PRECINCT A.	PRECINCT B.	TOTAL
Christopher T. Callahan of Holyoke,	48	61	109
W. Murray Crane of Dalton,	47	188	235
Archibald Dakin of Brockton,	1	2	3
James E. McConnell of Fitchburg,		14	14
William W. Nash of Williamsburg,		4	4
Blanks,	12	46	58

FOR SECRETARY.			
Asa F. Hall of Hudson,	1	4	5
Waldo Lincoln of Worcester,	3	24	27
William M. Olin of Boston,	48	185	233
Joseph H. Potts of Lynn,	41	55	96
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly,	1	2	3
Blanks,	14	45	59

FOR TREASURER.			
Charles G. F. Claus of Malden,	1	2	5
Robert C. Habberley of Hyde Park,		3	3
Edw. P. Shaw of Newburyport,	44	190	234
Horace P. Tobey of Wareham,	4	25	29
Thomas A. Watson of Braintree,	46	52	98
Blanks,	13	43	56

FOR AUDITOR.			
Maurice P. Cavanaugh of Springfield,	14	19	33
Maurice J. Fitzgerald of Boston,	31	38	69
Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale,		4	4
John W. Kimball of Fitchburg,	43	187	230
Rufus H. Phinney of Lynn,		2	2
Charles C. Spellman of Springfield,	5	25	30
Blanks,	15	40	55

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.			
John C. Chase of Haverhill,	1	2	3
Wolcott Hamlin of Amherst,		3	3
Henry F. Hurlburt of Lynn,	6	17	23
Hosea Knowlton of New Bedford,	43	189	232
William H. Morse of Chelsea,		1	1
John B. O'Donnell of Northampton,	43	54	97
Blanks,	15	49	64

FOR COUNCILLOR, 8TH DISTRICT,	PRECINCT A.	PRECINCT B.	TOTAL
Enos W. Boise of Blandford,	55	88	141
Charles A. Towne of Orange,	43	188	231
Blanks,	12	39	51

FOR SENATOR, 2D HAMPDEN DISTRICT.

Milton F. Druce of Holyoke,	51	82	133
Dwight H. Ives of Holyoke,	44	190	234
Blanks,	13	43	56

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL
COURT, 2D HAMPDEN DISTRICT.

Charles P. Davis of Agawam,	58	105	163
William H. Porter of Agawam,	41	185	226
Blanks,	9	25	34

FOR CLERK OF COURTS.

Robert O. Morris of Springfield.	78	250	348
Blanks,	30	65	95

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

William H Brainard of Palmer,	43	193	236
Daniel Dunn of Chicopee,	54	85	139
Blanks,	11	37	48

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS,
1ST DISTRICT.

John Bascom of Williamstown,	1	3	4
Patrick H. Sheehan of Holyoke,	51	73	124
Ashley B. Wright of North Adams,	41	197	238
Blanks,	15	42	57

FIRST ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

Yes,	26	108	134
No,	33	92	125
Blanks,	49	115	164

SECOND ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

Yes,	26	99	125
No,	33	86	119
Blanks,	49	130	179

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the several Towns comprising the Second Hampden Representative District held at the Clerk's office in Longmeadow, at 12 o'clock, (noon) on Friday the thirteenth day of November, 1896, the transcripts were examined and compared and the whole number of ballots cast for Representative in said District were found to be sixteen hundred and twenty-three, of which William H. Porter of Agawam received eleven hundred, and Charles P. Davis of Agawam received five hundred and twenty three as follows by towns :

TOWNS.	DAVIS.	PORTER.	BLANKS.
Agawam, . . .	163	226	34
East Longmeadow, . . .	38	128	36
Granville, . . .	48	101	28
Hampden, . . .	38	72	24
Longmeadow, . . .	22	65	14
Ludlow, . . .	76	185	30
Southwick, . . .	61	134	28
Tolland, . . .	17	28	4
Wilbraham, . . .	60	161	29
Total, . . .	523	1,100	227

JUDSON W. HASTINGS,
Town Clerk of Agawam.

O. L. WOLCOTT,
Town Clerk of East Longmeadow.

ELMER E. SMITH,
Town Clerk of Granville.

JOHN Q. ADAMS,
Town Clerk of Hampden.

W. F. EMERSON,
Town Clerk of Longmeadow.

A. H. BARTLETT,
Town Clerk of Ludlow.

G. W. BRACE,
Town Clerk of Southwick.

WILBERT MUNN,
Town Clerk of Tolland.

CHAS. E. STACY,
Town Clerk of Wilbraham.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1896.

<i>Date and Place of Marriage.</i>	<i>Names and Surnames of Groom and Bride.</i>	<i>Residence of Each at time of Marriage.</i>	<i>Age of Each.</i>	<i>Occupation of Each.</i>	<i>Place of Birth of Each.</i>	<i>Names of Parents, (Maiden Name of Mother.)</i>	<i>No. of Marriages.</i>	<i>By Whom Married.</i>
January 1, Agawam	Israel J. Abell	Agawam	45	Farmer	Agawam	Soloman N. and Aurilla Lombard	1st	T. A. Hodgdon, Pastor,
February 17, Agawam	Nellie M. Dean	Agawam	21	Laundryman	Agawam	John and Honora Noonan	1st	M. E. Church Feeding Hills
February 27, Agawam	Ludger P. Parent	Agawam	27	Needlemaker	Agawam	Telephor and Rose Desotelle	1st	Rev. Fred Bonneville,
February 27, Agawam	Helen Reumler	Agawam	28	Physician	Lowell	Joseph and Marie Arsonneau	1st	Chicopee
May 6, Rupert, Vt.	Judson W. Hastings	Agawam	43	Farmer	Rupert, Vt.	Jos. Creighton, Orpha Worthington	2d	Wilward Warner, Pastor,
May 6, W. Springfield	Anna Shumit Hastings	Agawam	23	Papermaker	Waupau, Wis.	Livy Vailand Mary M. Taylor	1st	Cong. Church, Pawlet, Vt.
May 7, Agawam	John F. O'Brien	W. Springfield	26	Papermaker	Turners Falls	Patrick and Kate Lorian	1st	J. J. O'Keefe, Clergyman,
May 7, Agawam	Kate A. Scanlon	Suffield, Conn.	23	Weaver	Enfield, Conn	William and Harriet Moore	1st	C. P. Ketchen, M. E. Clergyman,
May 27, W. Springfield	Alfred John Martin	Suffield, Conn.	25	Upholsterer	Southwick	Simeon and Emma Holcomb	1st	Feeding Hills
May 27, W. Springfield	Dora Palmer	Springfield	23	Domestic	Ireland	James and Anna Cavanaugh	1st	J. J. O'Keefe, Clergyman,
May 27, W. Springfield	James W. Flynn	Agawam	31	Machinist	Agawam	John H. and Anastasia Kelly	1st	West Springfield
June 1, Agawam	Mary Theresa Sullivan	Springfield	38	Polisher	Suffield, Conn.	James L. and Lucy L. Sykes	1st	Walter Rice Pastor,
June 1, Agawam	Lilla J. Clough	Springfield	31	Dressmaker	Northfield	Wm. B. Pratt and Frances J. Hill	1st	Cong. Church, Agawam
June 3, Agawam	Wilfred F. Dimas	Agawam	21	Bicycle Repairer	Canada	Frank and Delia Barber	1st	Joseph M. A. Genest, Pastor,
June 3, W. Springfield	Albina Fountain	Springfield	22	Teacher	Canada	Joseph and Delmina Menard	1st	Fr., Catholic Church, Mithneague
June 30, W. Springfield	William P. Shea	Agawam	22	Blacksmith	Enfield	Patrick F. and Margaret Sullivan	1st	J. J. O'Keefe, Clergyman,
July 8, Agawam	Annie C. Sullivan	Troy, N. Y.	29	Teacher	St. Angele, P. Q.	Daniel and Bridget Preston	1st	West Springfield
July 8, Agawam	Phyllis Bedard	Agawam	23	Laborer	Marieville, P. Q.	Isale and Marguerite Desmarais	1st	Joseph M. A. Genest, Pastor
July 9, Agawam	Rose Emma Guillet	Springfield	25	Laborer	Canada	Joseph and Mathilde Vigant	1st	Fr., Catholic Church, Mithneague
July 9, Agawam	Moise Bazinait	Springfield	31	Laborer	Agawam	Charles and Clepheu Fortier	1st	Fr., Catholic Church, Mithneague
September 7, Agawam	Rosa (Jasmin) Cosgrove	Agawam	29	Papermaker	Hopkinton, N. Y.	James Jasmin and Aeline Narcan	1st	C. P. Ketchen, M. E. Clergyman,
September 7, Agawam	Peter Vondren	Agawam	29	Papermaker	Plattsburg, N. Y.	Henry and Mary J. Lalroque	1st	Feeding Hills
September 7, Agawam	Mary Stone	Holyoke	21	Brakeman	Agawam	Charles and Ellen Mosher	1st	Joseph M. A. Genest, Pastor,
September 8, W. Springfield	Wilfred A. Deslaurier	Agawam	21	Bar Tender	Agawam	Frank and Cordelia Meure	1st	Fr., Catholic Church, Mithneague
September 8, W. Springfield	Rose I. Murphy	Agawam	24	Teacher	Springfield	Jeremiah and Catherine Kingston	1st	J. J. O'Keefe, Clergyman,
October 7, Agawam	Anna Belle Begley	Agawam	21	Teacher	Springfield	William and Mary Goodsell	1st	West Springfield
October 7, Agawam	George R. Barnes	Newbury, N. Y.	21	Dressmaker	New York	Ethel and Hannah Smith	1st	F. L. Garfield, Pastor,
October 13, Agawam	Minnie D. Legate	Holyoke	27	Farmer	Southwick	Frederick and Martha	1st	Cong. Church, Feeding Hills
October 13, Agawam	James Leroy Simons	Ludlow	27	Nurse	Odus	Charles and Laura Keyes	1st	Frank L. Garfield, Pastor,
October 25, Agawam	Lois Camilla Pomroy	Springfield	27	Dyer	Easthampton	Edward M. and Lucetia Parsons	1st	Cong. Church, Feeding Hills
November 18, Agawam	Frederick O. Lynes	Westfield	22	Papermaker	Holyoke	Clarence C. and Jennie Fish	1st	Joseph M. A. Genest, Pastor,
December 2, Springfield	Josephine LaFle	W. Springfield	23	Clergyman	Clinton	Frederick S. and Josephine Burke	1st	Fr., Catholic Church, Mithneague
December 2, Springfield	John Mason	Blandford	36	Farm Laborer	Hyde Park, Vt.	Robert and Mary Murray	1st	Ernest P. Herriek, Clergyman
December 2, Springfield	Frank Lemay	Agawam	32	Farm Laborer	Bangor, N. Y.	Stephen and Rose Griswold	1st	Sylvanus E. Frohock, Pastor,
December 2, Springfield	Frank Lemay	East Granby, Ct.	20	Farm Laborer	Ft. Covington, N. Y.	William and Mary Ann DeGray	1st	Carew St. Bapt. Church, Springfield

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM IN 1896.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Place of Birth.	Name of Parents. (Maiden Name of Mother.)	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
Jan 2	Florence Madeline Wilson.....	f	Mitineague	John F. and Kate O'Brien	Agawam	Switchman	E. Randolph, Vt.	Agawam
Jan 2	Edward Raymond Josselyn.....	m	Mitineague	Edward and Ida Shovin	"	Carpenter	Agawam	Canada
Jan 15	Beatrice Viola Smith.....	f	Feeding Hills	Oliver W. and Margaret Iserman	"	Farm Laborer	Northampton	New York, N. Y.
Jan 16	Joseph Homer Brady.....	m	Agawam	James T. and Mary T. Donovan	"	Carpenter	Springfield	Enfield, Ct.
Jan 17	Anthony Walter Trabold.....	m	Feeding Hills	Joseph and Mary Jane Miner	"	Carpenter	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Charlottesville, N. Y.
Jan 27	Charles Campbell.....	m	Agawam	Elbert L. and Laura A. Burr	"	Farmer	Agawam	Chester, Ct.
Feb 2	Margaret Paulina St. Marie.....	f	Mitineague	Evariste and Delia Labonte	"	Blacksmith	Canada	Springfield
Feb 5	Alvina Rhea Gaudreau. (Coeur	f	Mitineague	Ludger and Amelia Colteux	"	Butcher	Canada	Canada
Feb 5	Margaret Elizabeth Rose De-	f	Mitineague	Andrew Hart and Margauet Renoit	"	Laborer	Michigan	Michigan
Feb 13	Lawrence Herman Duclous.....	m	Mitineague	Wilfred and Emma Perrault	"	Carpenter	Agawam	Gloucester
Feb 18	Oliver Xavier Parent.....	m	Mitineague	John Alfred and Gertrude Davis	"	Laborer	Enfield	Ireland
Feb 20	Anna Mabel Burr.....	f	Southwick	George Low and Hattie LeChair	"	Laborer	Enfield	Springfield
Feb 21	Aubrey Frank Morrell Carruth	m	Feeding Hills	Louis and Melina Verrier	"	Soldier	Boston	Reading
Feb 23	Louis Joseph Cusson.....	m	Mitineague	William and Celia Latour	"	Blacksmith	Holyoke	W. Springfield
Feb 24	Henry Narcisse Vondren.....	m	Agawam	James and Malvina Leblanc	"	Farmer	Hopkinton, N. Y.	Canada
Mch 7	Flossie Malvina Jasmin.....	f	Mitineague	Mason J. and Adaline A. Bartlett	"	Brakeman	Vergennes, Vt.	Springfield
Mch 9	Doris Alta Mecum.....	f	Feeding Hills	Frederick and Lizzie Langford	"	Farmer	Lee	Blandford
Mch 14	Hazel Tatro.....	f	Feeding Hills	Henry and Geneva Williams	"	Farmer	Canada	Springfield
Mch 18	Edward Brooks.....	m	Feeding Hills	Michael and Ida Provost	Enfield, Ct.	Carpenter	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Agawam
Mch 22	Rosa Albina Laura Couture.....	f	Mitineague	Charles A. and Eva Barrus	W. Springfield	Farmer	Canada	Agawam
Apr 6	Helen Esther Frost.....	f	Feeding Hills	Amos T. and Nellie M. Dorman	Agawam	Lumberman	Springfield	Goshen
Apr 6	Grace Lillian Ober.....	f	Agawam	Eugene and Rosanna Richardson	"	Laborer	Johnson, Vt.	Franklin, N. J.
Apr 6	Joseph William LaCroix.....	m	Mitineague	Frank and Rosa Guifra	"	Pistiller	Canada	Canada
Apr 20	Annie Mary Religo.....	f	Windor, L. Ct.	Frederick and Melina St. Marie	"	"	Italy	Italy
Apr 30	Maria Rosa Dandelin.....	f	Chicopee	Telephor and Julia E. Laureau	"	Yeast Peddler	Pownal, Vt.	Canada
May 6	Marie Eugenia Dubour.....	f	Mitineague	Joseph and Ananda Cyr	"	Laborer	Springfield	Lanesboro
May 8	Joseph Osario Desforages.....	m	Mitineague	Dorthea and Euphemia Gaudette	"	Clerk	Canada	Canada
May 12	Amelia Helen Leblanc.....	f	Mitineague	Timothy J. and Margaret Driscoll	"	"	Agawam	Boston
May 19	Mary O'Brien { Twins.....	f	Mitineague	H. Van Ness and Lillian McIntire	"	Mcorman	Agawam	South Hadley
May 28	Clayton Charles Roberts.....	m	Feeding Hills	Joshua and Lydia Jacobs	"	Farmer	Agawam	Saginaw, Mich.
May 29	Lydia Desforages.....	f	Mitineague	Charles and Adella Bruneau	"	Laborer	Germany	Canada
June 4	Marie E. Fay.....	f	Mitineague	Wilfred and Virginia Menard	"	Brakeman	Agawam	W. Springfield
June 9	Joseph Arthur Jasmin.....	m	Mitineague	Frederick H. and Anna Jane Clamplitt	"	St'y Engineer	London, Eng.	Durham, Canada
June 11	Olive Irene Randall.....	f	Agawam					

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Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Place of Birth.	Name of Parents (Maiden Name of Mother.)	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
June 23	— O'Brien.....	m	Mittineague	Jeremiah and Kate Murphy	Agawam	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland
June 24	Mary Adela Louisa Pettithory.....	f	Mittineague	Louis and Virginia Menard	"	Laborer	France	Mt. River
June 24	Arthur Robinson.....	m	Feeding Hills	Louis B. and Addie Miner	"	Paperhanger	Alsace, Germany	Redmont, N. Y.
July 13	Mary Albina Be-neche.....	f	Mittineague	Joseph and Julia Dumont	"	Needlemaker	Canada	Canada
July 20	Lucy Lamarche.....	f	Mittineague	Elias and Lucy Menard	"	Laborer	Canada	Central Falls, R. I.
July 23	Mary Anne King.....	f	Mittineague	Joseph and Mary Lareau	"	Blacksmith	Canada	
July 23	Grace Mildred Bodurtha.....	f	Agawam	Henry E. and M. Belle Cook	"	Farmer	Agawam	Springfield
Aug 3	Martin Marra.....	m	Agawam	John O. and Catharine H. Dunne	"	Stone Cutter	Frederickton, N. B.	England
Aug 3	Joseph Arthur Fayette.....	m	Mittineague	Joseph and Melvina Bunyan	"	Carpenter	Canada	Hinsdale
Aug 4	Amelia Robert.....	f	Mittineague	Arthur and Amelia Robert	"	Carpenter	Canada	Canada
Aug 5	Joseph Oscar Menard.....	m	Mittineague	Flavian and Emma Morin	"	Carpenter	Canada	Canada
Aug 12	Isabel Bernadetta Gauthier.....	f	Mittineague	Evariste S. and Arsella Deslaurier	"	Needlemaker	Canada	Canada
Aug 18	Simeon Bessette.....	m	Mittineague	Jamel and Athenais Jourdain	"	Carpenter	Canada	Canada
Aug 29	Francis Paul Cleary.....	m	Feeding Hills	James F. and Kate Shea	"	Farmer	Agawam	Agawam
Sept 13	George Thomas Proctor.....	m	Agawam	George A. and Ellen Collins	"	Milkman	Prince Edw. Island	Amesbury
Sept 18	Frieda Marion Ahl.....	f	Agawam	Michael L. and Frieda Schultz	"	Farmer	E. Hartford, Ct.	Gera, Germany
Sept 20	Mabel Laviolette.....	f	Agawam	Charles and Harriet McClure	"	Cigar Maker	Canada	Burlington, Vt.
Sept 25	Edgar Steele Andrew Mathews.....	m	Feeding Hills	Roswell R. and Mary L. Simonds	"	Farm Laborer	Amherst	Cornwall, Vt.
Sept 26	Harold Michael Sullivan.....	m	Feeding Hills	John H. and Anastasia Kelly	"	Farmer	Ireland	Ireland
Sept 30	Edwin Daly.....	m	Agawam	John and Bridget Duffy	"	Farm Laborer	Amenia, N. Y.	Charlotte, Vt.
Oct 1	Charles Lafond.....	m	Mittineague	Charles and Mederise Messier	"	Papermaker	Canada	Canada
Oct 9	Percy James Osgood.....	m	Agawam	Allen C. and Emma Sherwin	"	Farmer	Townsend, Vt.	Grafton, Vt.
Oct 13	— Healy.....	f	Feeding Hills	George and Annie E. Welch	"	Carpenter	Ludlow	Holyoke
Oct 20	Walter Francis Macomber.....	m	Mittineague	Joseph and Marguerite Pelland	"	Laborer	Springfield	W. Springfield
Oct 26	Flossie Lariviere.....	f	Agawam	Antoine and Victoria Robert	"	Carpenter	Canada	Mass.
Oct 28	Joseph Antonio Aldrie Bessette.....	m	Mittineague	John and Mary Riley	"	Laborer	Ireland	Canada
Oct 31	Julia Grady.....	f	Mittineague	Charles R. and Carrie Barrett	"	Becket	Ireland	Pittsfield
Nov 8	Ralph Albert Meum.....	m	Feeding Hills	John H. and Emma J. Barr	"	Farmer	Chitopee	Springfield
Nov 10	John Harry Reed.....	m	Agawam	Edward J. and Ida Gosselin	"	Milk Peddler	W. Springfield	Agawam
Nov 24	Harold Edward Smith.....	m	Mittineague	Ignacy and Agnes Modjeska	"	Carpenter	Russia	Agawam
Nov 27	George Stakum.....	m	Agawam	James F. and Margaret E. Carroll	"	Farm Laborer	Agawam	Austria
Dec 6	Catherine Dorothy Barry.....	f	Feeding Hills	Horace and Eliza LeChair	"	Farmer	Verigennes, Vt.	Agawam
Dec 15	Ernest Melville Marotte.....	m	Mittineague	James H. and Addie A. Annis	"	Papermaker	Thibardston	Canada
Dec 22	Jonas Ghanan Clark.....	m	Agawam	Ludger and Ellen Treanmer	"	Farmer	Agawam	Hartford, Ct.
Dec 30	Henry Wilfred Joseph Parent.....	m	Mittineague		"	Laundryman	Agawam	Lowell

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM IN 1896.

Date of Death.	1. Name of Deceased. 2. Name of Husband.	Sex	Cond.	Age. Ys. Ms. Ds.	Disease or Cause of Death.	1. Residence. 2. Place of Death.	Place of Burial.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Name and Birthplace of Father.	Name and Birthplace of Mother.
Jan 21	Margaret Lamb.....	f	m 64	8 13	Angina Pectoris	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills Agawam	Feeding Hills Agawam	Housewife	Ireland	—	—
Jan 32	Edward Lamb	f	m 30	3 1	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills	Laborer	Ireland	John Lamb	Ann — Ireland
Jan 5	Loretta Congdon.....	m	w 74	1 5	Cirrhosis of Liver	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	W Springfield	Papermaker	Ireland	Patrick Hartnett	Catharine Sullivan Ireland
Jan 6	Edward Lamb	f	s 35		Tuberculosis	2 Mittneague Agawam	Agawam	Farmer	Agawam	Frank J. Pomeroy Suffield, Conn.	Ella Cook, Springfield
Jan 8	Catharine Hartnett.....	m	s 19		Suffocation	1 Agawam	Agawam		Exeter, Eng.	William Dyer Pyne England	Prudence Purchase England
Jan 13	William S. Pomeroy.....	f	s 86	1 6	Buried in a Well	2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Agawam	Alfred Menard	Leontine Beaudou Canada
Jan 29	Mary Ann Pyne.....	m	s	6	Heart Disease	1 Agawam	Gulfport, Vt.		Gulfport, Vt.	Simeon Aldrich	— Gaines Canada
Feb 6	Melville Menard.....	f	w 86	11	Convulsions	2 Mittneague	Tariffville, Ct	Farmer	Ft Covington, N. Y.	Bruden DeGray	Mary La Duke Canada
Feb 15	Emily Philena Tubbs	m	m 50	10 11	Cancer	1 Agawam	Agawam		Agawam	Elthu Brown	Emma C. Graves Agawam
Mch 3	Augustus DeGray	f	s 9	6 3	Tetanus	2 Feeding Hills Agawam	Feeding Hills	Housewife	Canada	Joseph Parron	Mary Menard Canada
Mch 6	Lizzie E. Brown	m	s 16	1 8	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	W Springfield	Student	Agawam	Timothy Moriarty	Bridget Wren Ireland
Mch 12	Edward E. Smith.....	f	m 45		Pneumonia	2 Mittneague	Feeding Hills		Suffield, Conn.	Moses Allen	Cynthia Fuller Suffield, Conn.
Mch 14	Timothy J. Moriarty.....	m	s 16	1 8	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Springfield		Agawam	Fred Tatro	Lizzie Langford Springfield
Mch 14	Della Ann Humason	f	w 78	6	Heart Disease	1 Agawam	W Springfield	Cigarmaker	Canada	Leon Dubour	Agais — Canada
Mch 16	Henry Humason.....	f	s		Stillborn	2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Agawam	Wilfred Duolos	Emma Paro Chicago
Mch 22	Hazel Tatro.....	m	m 39		Bright's Disease	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	W Springfield		Canada	Francois Desautel	—
Mch 25	Leon Debour.....	m	s	14	Convulsions	1 Agawam 2 Mittneague	W Springfield	Housepainter	Canada	Smith C. Arnold	Maria Miller Southwick
Mch 27	Lawrence Duolos.....	m	s	60	Apoplexy	2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Agawam	Telesphor Dubour	Julia Larcau Canada
April 13	Rosalie Parent.....	f	m 51		Heart Disease	1 Agawam 2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Canada	Joseph Lariviere	—
April 17	Daniel B. Arnold.....	m	m 51		Heart Disease	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	W Springfield		Canada	—	—
April 20	Ida Dubour.....	f	s 1	10	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Canada	—	—
April 20	Henrietta Paro	f	m 75	5 2	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Canada	—	—
April 20	Augustine Paro.....	m	m 75	5 2	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Mittneague	W Springfield		Canada	—	—

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					Ys.	Ms.	Ds.								
May 6	1 Fannie J. Shaw.....		f	w	32	10	4	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Agawam	Feeding Hills	Student	Agawam	Allison F. Halladay Agawam	Margaret Tobin Ireland
May 25	2 Ernest B. Shaw.....		m	s	14	10	14	Typhoid Fever	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Agawam	Agawam		Agawam	Almon Jones Camden, N. Y.	Carrie B. Clark Hubbardston
June 5	1 Walter A. Jones.....		f	s	63			Ulcerative Colitis	1 Agawam 2 Springfield	Agawam	Agawam		Agawam	Harvey Wolcott Sandisfield	Laura Cone, Sandisfield
June 23	— O'Brien.....		m	s				Stillborn	1 Agawam 2 Springfield	Agawam	Agawam		Agawam	Jeremiah O'Brien Ireland	Catherine Murphy Ireland
June 25	1 Josephine Jerome.....		f	m	38			Syphilis	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Canada	Jeremie Desforges Canada	Lucy Hamel Canada
July 1	2 Jeremiah Jerome.....		m	m	79			Suicide by Drowning	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills	Farmer	Agawam	David King Agawam	Anna Pomeroy Suffield, Conn.
July 11	1 Levi Towet.....		m	m	78	4	22	Enlarge Prostate	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Agawam	Agawam	Farmer	Agawam	Daniel Milton Flower Agawam	Calista Lord Windsor, Conn.
July 20	1 James King.....		f	m	26	6	28	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Agawam	Agawam	Housewife	Agawam	Henry E. Bodurtha Agawam	M. Belle Cook Springfield
July 24	2 Ambrose S. King.....		f	s			1	Tedious Birth	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	Agawam	Agawam		Ireland	John Fitzgerald Ireland	Catharine Malone Ireland
July 23	1 Grace Mildred Bodurtha.....		f	s	23			Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield	Domestic	Agawam	Timothy J. O'Brien Agawam	Margaret Driscoll Boston
Aug 9	1 Henry O'Brien.....		m	s	3			Convulsions	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Southwick	John Alfred Burr Enfield	Gertrude Davis Springfield
Aug 10	2 Anna Mabel Burr.....		f	s	6	20		Eutero-Colitis	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills		England	John Riordan Ireland	Ellen Buckley Ireland
Aug 19	1 John Dinham.....		m	s	30			Suicide by Throat	1 Agawam 2 Springfield	Agawam	Agawam	Farm Laborer	Ireland	John Riordan Ireland	May L. West Louisville, Ky.
Aug 21	2 John Dinham.....		m	w	73			Prostration from Heat	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	Chicopee	Chicopee	Shoemaker	Agawam	Cornelius W. Smith Cornish, N. H.	Jennie Vancor Underhill, Vt.
Aug 27	1 Adella May Smith.....		f	s	22			Heart Disease	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	Agawam	Agawam		Burlington, Vt.	Michael A. Cunningham Cornish, Vt.	Julia Dumont Canada
Sept 1	2 Grant M. Cunningham.....		m	s	11	21		Cholera Infantum	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	Burlington, Vt.	Burlington, Vt.		Agawam	Joseph Berneche, Canada	Elizabeth Garfield Canada
Sept 12	1 Albina Berneche.....		f	s	2			Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Worcester	George H. Moore, Sutton	Manda Cyr Canada
Sept 25	2 Effie A. Moore.....		f	s	10			Acute Cerebral Meningitis	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	Agawam	Agawam		Agawam	Joseph Deforge Canada	Minnie Mosse Canada
Sept 29	1 Osario Deforge.....		m	s	4	15	1	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Agawam	Charles Lafond Canada	
Oct 2	2 Charles Lafond.....		m	s	1			Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Agawam		
								Premature Birth	1 Agawam 2 Middineague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Agawam		

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM IN 1896.—Continued.

Date of Death.	1. Name of Deceased. 2. Name of Husband.		Sex.	Cond.	Age.		Disease or Cause of Death.	1. Residence. 2. Place of Death.		Place of Burial.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Name and Birthplace of Father.	Name and Birthplace of Mother.
					Yrs.	Mo.								
Oct 8	Hannah Grady.....		f	s	4	y	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	Agawam		Agawam	John Grady Ireland	Mary Riley Ireland
Oct 9	Theodore Menard.....		m	s	2	7	Epilepsy	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	Agawam		Agawam	Fred Menard Canada	Emma Morin Canada
Oct 13	— Healy.....		f	s			Stillborn	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills		Agawam	John C. Healy Cheshire, Conn.	Adeline S. Gitt Holyoke
Oct 13	Mary Bidwell.....		f	w	80	10	Apoplexy	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills	Feeding Hills		Manchesters, England	Henry Bailey, England	Ann Greenhalge England
Oct 15	2 Austin Bidwell..... Daniel A. Moriarty.....		m	s	12	9	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Agawam	Timothy Moriarty Ireland	Bridget Wren Ireland
Oct 23	Mary Ann Savin.....		f	s	22	1	Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	W Springfield	Paperfinisher	W Springfield	William Savin, Washington, D. C.	Annie Sullivan Ireland
Oct 23	Russell M. Ewing.....		m	m	70	4	Heart Disease	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	Agawam	Agawam	Farmer	E Windsor, Conn.	Asa H. Ewing Somers, Conn.	Persis Nichols Ireland
Oct 27	1 Catharine F. Ross..... 2 John Ross.....		f	m	66		Apoplexy	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Ireland	George Ferguson Ireland	Eleonor Ormsby Brimfield
Oct 29	1 Mary J. Loveridge..... 2 Daniel C. Loveridge.....		f	f	58		Cancer	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	Asbby	Belchertown	Nurse	Belchertown	Nala Bishop Belchertown	Clarinda Bishop Shutesbury
Nov 1	Flossie Lariviere.....		f	s		7	Enteritis 2 Peritonitis	1 Agawam 2 Springfield	Springfield	Springfield		Agawam	Joseph Lariviere Springfield	Marguerite Pelland Mass.
Nov 2	John Shea.....		m	m	50		Concussion of Brain R. R. Accident.	1 Agawam 2 Springfield	Springfield	Springfield	Weaver	Monterey	Sheridan Thompson Monterey	Selona Thomson Monterey
Nov 6	Frederick S. Thompson.....		m	s	29		Tuberculosis	1 Agawam 2 Northampton	Monterey	Monterey		Monterey	John Grady Monterey	Mary Riley Monterey
Nov 12	Julia Grady.....		f	s		14	Meningitis	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Agawam	Andrew J. Chaffee Ireland	Caroline Phelps Ireland
Nov 22	James A. Chaffee.....		m	w	46	9	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	East Long-meadow	East Long-meadow	Stage Driver	Chester	Walter Bodurtha Conn.	Cherster
Nov 23	Stephen Henry Bodurtha.....		m	w	84	4	Acute Bronchitis	1 Agawam	Agawam	Agawam	Farmer	Chester	Patrick J. Murphy Agawam	Lucetia Henry Chester
Nov 29	Esther Murphy.....		f	s		5	Premature Birth	1 Agawam	Springfield	Springfield		Agawam	Patrick J. Murphy Springfield	Anna Belle Begley Springfield
Nov 30	1 Nellie M. Chaffee..... 2 James A. Chaffee.....		f	w	36	11	Pneumonia	1 Agawam 2 Feeding Hills	East Long-meadow	E Long-meadow	Housewife	E Long-meadow	Horatio E. Goss Enfield, Conn.	Martha A. Cleveland East Longmeadow
Dec 3	Leo Gandreau.....		m	s	4	8	Meningitis	1 Agawam 2 Mittleague	W Springfield	W Springfield		Agawam	Ludger Gandreau Canada	Amelia Coileux Canada

m Male. f Female. s Single. m Married. w Widowed.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JUDSON W. HASTINGS, TREASURER.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF AGAWAM.

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To balance in treasury, March 16, 1896.....	\$846.66
Amount received from Town of Russell, for paupers	19.50
Town of Southwick for paupers.....	71.75
City of Chicopee, for paupers.....	124.00
Town of West Springfield, bridge account...	18.58
Springfield Ins't. for Savings, temporary loan	1,500.00
George Leonard, police court fines.....	119.81
State Treasurer, for paupers.....	43.36
" Superintendent of Schools.....	1,250.00
" Inspector of cattle.....	66.28
" Corporation tax.....	421.84
" National bank tax.....	628.69
" Military Aid, chap. 279, Acts 1889.	18.00
" State Aid, chap. 301, Acts 1889.	84.00
" Income Massachusetts school fund	208.39
County Treasurer, dog fund.....	215.52
Income Mary A. Phelan, library fund.....	20.20
Slaughter house licenses.....	2.00
Sewer assessments.....	48.73
F. A. Worthington, wire.....	1.00
Arthur Duclos, school-house lot.....	205.00
Support Eugene F. Dwight.....	265.74
Sale of produce from almshouse.....	9.50
Rent of Town Hall, Agawam.....	32.50
" " " Feeding Hills.....	42.75

Interest on deposits.....		\$30.93
Ethan D. Allen, collector 1892.....		.90
Edw. M. Wright, " 1893.....		87.22
Amos Gosselin, " "		69.10
Edw. M. Wright " 1894.....		474.07
Jas. H. Clark, " "		475.26
Amos Gosselin, " "		200.36
Lewis A. Barden, " 1895.....		2,562.44
Edw. M. Wright, " "		2,026.00
Geo. D. Cooley, " "		1,605.72
Lewis A. Barden, " 1896.....		6,968.74
Edw. W. Wright, " "		5,892.56
Amos Gosselin, " "		3,955.35
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		\$30,612.45

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By paying, Leicester Savings Bank, interest.....	\$400.00
Spencer " " "	200.00
Chicopee " " "	200.00
Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank.....	200.00
Springfield Inst. for Savings "	565.42
" " " " temporary loan....	1,500.00
Treasurer of Granville for Supt. of Schools..	416.66
" Southwick, " "	416.66
County tax.....	1,859.73
State tax.....	945.00
Sinking Fund Commissioners.....	900.00
State Treasurer's penalty for failure to make returns.....	20.00
Selectmens' and School Committees' orders :	
Schools, Superintendent and supplies.....	6,236.60
High School tuition.....	564.00
Outside relief.....	2,361.43
Poor, Almshouse.....	934.63
Highways and bridges.....	2,706.58
South End bridge.....	399.41
Town officers.....	1,122.46

Contingencies	\$950.04
State and Military aid.....	340.00
Memorial Day.....	35.00
Care of Town Halls.....	76.64
Repair of town buildings.....	123.27
New school-house.....	6,352.97
School furniture,.....	323.50
Street lights.....	111.75
Public library.....	280.42
Balance in Treasury, March 11, 1897.....	70.28
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	\$30,612.45

We have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer for the year 1896-97 and find them correct, with the proper vouchers.

JOHN G. FREELAND,
DAVID L. BOWE,

Auditors.

Agawam, March 17, 1897.

Appropriations Recommended for 1897.

Schools, Superintendent and supplies.....	\$5,500.00
Highways and bridges.....	2,500.00
South End bridge.....	400.00
High School Tuition.....	700.00
Support of poor.....	2,500.00
Contingencies.....	800.00
Town officers.....	1,200.00
State aid.....	250.00
Interest	1,800.00
Sinking fund.....	900.00
Town debt.....	600.00
Care of Town Halls.....	50.00
Repairs on Town buildings.....	150.00
Street lights.....	100.00
Collectors of taxes.....	300.00
Discount on taxes.....	750.00
Memorial Day.....	50.00

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Valuation May 1, 1896.

Real estate.....	\$1,145,640.00	
Personal.....	171,341.00	
		\$1,316,981.00

Upon which taxes have been assessed
as follows :

State tax.....	\$945.00	
County tax.....	1,859.73	
Schools, Superintendent and supplies	5,500.00	
High School tuition.....	800.00	
Highways and bridges.....	1,800.00	
Support of poor.....	2,800.00	
Contingencies.....	800.00	
Town officers.....	1,000.00	
State aid.....	250.00	
South End bridge.....	500.00	
Interest.....	1,800.00	
Sinking fund.....	900.00	
Town debt.....	600.00	
Care of Town Halls.....	200.00	
Repairs on Town buildings.....	200.00	
Street lights.....	100.00	
Collection of taxes.....	300.00	
Discount on taxes.....	750.00	
Memorial Day.....	35.00	
School house lot.....	850.00	
School furniture.....	300.00	
Overlay.....	43.97	\$22,333.70
Tax on real and personal estate at the rate of \$16.00 per thousand.....	21,071.70	
631 polls at \$2.00 each.....	1,262.00	\$22,333.70

To Lewis A. Barden was committed for		
collection.....	\$9,218.69	
Additional assessments.....	6.00	\$9,224.69
Upon which he has been credited :		
Cash paid Treasurer.....	6.968.74	
Discount allowed.....	324.14	
Abatements allowed.....	8.40	
Commission.....	104.51	
Amount due March 10, 1897.....	1,818.90	9,224.69
To Edward M. Wright was committed for		
collection.....	7,502.10	
Additional assessments.....	24.08	7,526.18
Upon which he has been credited :		
Cash paid Treasurer.....	5,892.56	
Discount allowed.....	261.16	
Abatements allowed.....	17.12	
Commission.....	88.37	
Amount due March 10, 1897.....	1,266.97	7,526.18
To Amos Gosselin was committed for col-		
lection.....	5,612.91	
Additional assessments.....	8.00	5,620.91
Upon which he has been credited :		
Cash paid Treasurer.....	3,955.35	
Discount allowed.....	187.53	
Abatements allowed.....	6.40	
Commission.....	59.32	
Amount due March 10, 1897.....	1,412.31	5,620.91

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
EDWIN LEONARD, 2ND,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,

Assessors.

Agawam, March 10, 1897.

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED.

ETHAN D. ALLEN, Collector.

1892.

E. H. Morse	\$2.00
Est. John Roberts.....	1.70
John D. Roberts.....	2.00

E. M. WRIGHT, Collector.

1894.

Charles Armstrong.....	\$2.00
George E. Baxter.....	2.00
Joel Brown.....	2.00
Thomas J. Killeen.....	2.00
William F. Sullivan.....	2.00
Walter F. Wilcox.....	6.98
George Isabell.....	1.17

1895.

Antone Karisky.....	\$2.00
Frank H. Burt.....	2.98
E. H. Morse.....	2.00
Frank Morehouse.....	2.00
Thomas Ray.....	2.00
Jesse Young.....	2.00
Christy Youx.....	3.84
Heirs of Joseph Smith..	2.76
George Isabel.....	1.73

GEORGE D. COOLEY, Collector.

1895.

Frank Akerman.....	\$2.00
Alphonse Brissette.....	3.50
Dominick Brissette.....	2.00

AMOS GOSSELIN, Collector.

1893.

Corliss Menard.....	\$2.00
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1894.

Mrs. Timothy Crowley..	\$6.27
Frank Akerman.....	3.09
Daniel Cavanaugh.....	2.00
Joseph Menard.....	2.00
James Menard.....	2.00
William Webber.....	2.00
Dominick Brissette.....	2.00
Corliss Menard.....	2.00
Patrick Flynn.....	2.00

1896.

Kate Murphy.....	6.40
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JAMES H. CLARK, Collector.

1894.

Walter Fitzgerald.....	\$2.00
Frank T. Rice.....	2.00
Harry Ross.....	2.00
H. A. Trask.....	2.00
Patrick Burns	12.40
Patrick Kane.....	1.16

LEWIS A. BARDEN, Collector.

1895.

Harry Brown.....	\$2.00
Arthur Green.....	2.00
Samuel Ingham.....	2.00

Daniel Cavanaugh.....	2.00	Timothy Keefe,.....	\$2.00
Mrs. Crowley.....	.63	Patrick Kane.....	2.00
Daniel Crowley.....	2.00	H. P. Osborne.....	2.00
William Chase.....	2.00	Bert Root.....	2.00
Alphonso Jasmine.....	.69	Arthur Allen.....	.92
James Menard.....	2.00	John Smith.....	2.00
Augustus Mecure.....	2.00	Michael Scanlon.....	2.00
Treffly Mason.....	2.00	Morgan Shehehay.....	2.00
Fred Provost.....	2.00	Hiram B. Sexton.....	2.00
Frank Provost.....	2.00	John Scanlon.....	2.00
William Roberts.....	2.00	Patrick Burns.....	17.25
Thomas Sullivan.....	1.15		1896.
Calix Menard.....	2.00	Frank W. Butterfield...	2.00
Patrick Flynn.....	2.00	Charles Chase.....	2.00
William Webber.....	2.00	Archer Herrick.....	2.00
		Est. Oliver Sikes.....	2.40

E. M. WRIGHT, Collector.

1896.

Walter Auwood.....	\$2.00	George Isabel.....	\$1.20
Charles Barry.....	2.00	Heirs of Joseph Smith..	1.92
Morris Tobin.....	2.00	A. P. Loomis.....	8.00

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

OUTSIDE RELIEF—DISBURSEMENTS.

Northampton Lunatic Hospital :

Care of James D. Johnson.	\$169.92
Care of Catherine Flynn,.....	169.92
Care of Catherine Brady.....	169.92
Care of Eugene F. Dwight	77.07
Care of Patrick J. Murphy.	6.04
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, care of Wm. Desloriers,	49.21
Care of Francis Fowler,	48.00
Aid to Mrs. Harriet Parker.....	130.00
Aid to Mrs. Michael Finnegan	36.00
Aid to Mrs. George Guyotte.....	4.00
Dr. C. S. Downey, medical aid to Mrs. Guyotte.	12.50
Aid to Mrs. Abraham Cosgrain.....	26.00
Dr. C. J. Downey, medical aid to Mrs. Cosgrain	3.50
Mrs. Leon Debour, rent for Mrs. Cosgrain	3.75
Constantino Servanto, rent for Mrs. Cosgrain.	9.00
Aid to Mrs. Frank Willette.....	62.00
Dr. C. J. Downey, medical aid to Mrs. Willette.....	6.50
W. F. Cook, coal and wood for Mrs. Willette.....	24.75
Clarence E. Smith, rent for Mrs. Willette	69.00
Clarence E. Smith, medicine for Mrs. Willette	1.35
Stockwell & Farnsworth, coal for Mrs. Gervaise.....	6.75
M. L. Tourtellotte, rent for Mrs. Gervaise.....	20.30
Dr. C. J. Downey, medical aid for James Menard.....	9.75
George Chapman, milk for James Menard.....	1.00
W. F. Cook, coal for David Mahoney.....	6.50

George Chapman, milk for David Mahoney.....	\$13.56
H. Letellier, supplies for David Mahoney.....	51.50
Mrs. Jane Campbell, rent for Alex Menard	29.34
W. H. Dexter, rent for Alex Menard.....	7.00
King Bros., supplies for Alex Menard.....	2.00
Amos Gosselin, rent for Mrs. John Gosselin	12.00
George A. Chapman, milk for Mrs. Quirk.....	22.60
H. Letellier, supplies for Mrs. Quirk	77.25
H. Letellier, supplies for Michael Moran.	27.00
Aid to Michael Moran.....	23.50
City of Chicopee, aid to Mrs. Dineen, 1895.....	138.00
City of Springfield, aid to Bridget Donnelly, 1895.....	52.54
City of Springfield, aid to Catherine Brady, 1895	73.00
City of Springfield, aid to Julia Murphy, 1895	20.00
Town of Easthampton, aid to E. Crossman.....	303.25
Clarence E. Smith, supplies for Joshua De Forge.....	1.00
Agawam Paper Co., rent for Joshua De Forge.....	4 00
L. F. Jenks, supplies for Mrs. Leon Debour.....	54.50
C. W. Hastings, supplies for Patrick Burns.....	7.06
Town of Dalton, aid to James Weatherbee.....	29.00
John H. Clune, burial of body	5.00
E. A. Kellogg, opening grave.....	2.00
Duane Gowdy, aid to Morgan Hollister.....	40.00
L. R. Button, aid to W. C. Button	52.00
Dr. J. W. Hastings, medical attendance.....	4.00
W. C. Campbell, care of 32 tramps	8.00
A. K. Fuller, care of 24 tramps	5.50
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\$2,187.33	

The following persons having settlement elsewhere have been aided as follows:

Wm. M. Williams, truss for John Hanson	\$7.00
A. K. Fuller, supplies for Mrs. Johnson.....	113.50
Shea Bros., milk for Mrs. Johnson.....	6.90

Clarence E. Smith, supplies for George Dennis.....	\$23.00
J. B. Smith, supplies for George Dennis.....	7.50
W. F. Cook, coal and wood for George Dennis.....	5.20
Taylor Bros., wood for George Dennis.....	5.00
W. F. Cook, coal for Mary Martin.	4.00
C. E. Smith, supplies for Mary Martin.....	2.00
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	\$174.10

Total outside relief..... \$2,361.43

ALMSHOUSE.

Mrs. M. L. Raiche, board of inmates.....	\$130.78
“ “ salary to March.....	230.00
“ “ cash for supplies.....	40.23
J. J. Raiche, supplies.....	18.18
J. C. Belville, fertilizer.....	23.45
E. M. Pomroy, labor and supplies.....	28.65
J. W. Hamilton, meat.....	80.96
H. E. Lombra, fish.....	14.32
A. K. Fuller, supplies.....	81.64
W. L. Brown, shoes.....	10.50
Forbes & Wallace, supplies.....	32.18
H. E. Bodurtha, repairs on cultivator.....	1.25
Taylor Bros. supplies.....	4.65
L. F. Jenks, supplies.....	38.21
J. W. Hastings, medical attendance.....	6.50
J. G. Freeland, hay.....	5.94
Geo. E. Estabrook, repairing stoves.....	12.85
Leonard Clark & Son, stove and pipe.....	17.50
Ethan D. Allen, repairs.....	3.20
H. W. Halliday, wood.....	2.00
W. F. Cook, coal.....	54.70
H. C. Puffer, grain.....	52.29

T. J. Regnier, harness and cushion.....	\$16.85
Flynn & Kirby, repairs.....	7.00
W. W. Houghton, repairs and shoeing.....	20.80
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	\$934.63

Total expenditures for care of poor.....	\$3,296.06
Less amount expended for other towns.....	\$3,121.96
Appropriation.....	\$2,800.00

R. MATHER TAYLOR,
EDWIN LEONARD, 2ND.
HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

Highway and Bridge Department.

Miscellaneous.

W. C. Campbell Supt. of streets.	\$8.75
C. A. Bartholomew, repairs on scraper.	1.50
Joseph Dumontier, repairs.	2.40
W. W. Houghton, repairs.	20.30
B. L. Bragg Co., plow.	13.95
Homer Foot & Co., tools. . . . .	.74
E. M. Wright, storage of tools.	2.00

\$49.64

Agawam.

Wm. H. Lester, labor.	\$9.25
Michael Riley, labor.	2.40
John Reilly, labor.	56.13
Albert F. Trask, gravel. . . . .	.56
Charles O. Campbell, labor.	13.95
Lewis Brown, labor.	22.73
John Buckley, labor.	29.10
W. H. Porter, labor.	71.90
Edward Lester, labor.	10.95
J. B. Manley, labor and plank.	10.86
Peter Campbell, labor.	10.43
J. S. Sanderson, brick.	6.40
Peter Marra, labor.	1.50

Frank P. Covill, labor.....	\$14.05
C. E. Hitchcock, pipe.....	18.61
City of Springfield, pipe.....	20.54
William W. Allen, labor.....	52.85
Patrick O. Riley, labor.....	13.20
Benjamin Verrier, labor.....	9.60
L. R. Button, labor.....	20.25
T. W. Fowler, labor.....	2.00
Monroe Hayward, labor.....	24.55
J. W. Wilder, cement.....	1.88
Homer Foot & Co., wire.....	2.83
John Murphy, labor.....	3.45
E. L. Thompson, labor.....	2.30
R. F. Hawkins, grates.....	4.26
Dennis Crowley, labor.....	5.85
James Collins, labor.....	20.55
Byron Pierce, labor.....	1.50
Walter Pierce, labor.....	5.70
George W. Pierce, labor.....	5.55
Wm. Worthington, labor.....	3.60
Michael L. Ahl, labor.....	37.02
George Covill, labor.....	34.23
W. C. Campbell, labor.....	104.00
W. C. Campbell, plank.....	9.00
Agawam Co., gravel.....	12.00
George H. Reed, labor.....	19.35
John G. Burt, labor.....	31.59
Frank J. Pomeroy, gravel.....	4.40
Frank R. Pomeroy, labor.....	.75
F. E. Campbell, labor.....	36.35
S. N. Bennett, labor.....	5.05
Thomas Riley, labor.....	1.50
Jerre Adams, labor.....	23.35
C. W. Hastings, tools.....	1.95
A. J. Todd, railing.....	14.50
H. W. Cook, labor.....	7.95
E. L. Covill, labor.....	4.70

W. B. Rice, labor.....	\$5.35
John Oldroyd, labor.....	3.20
Joseph Work, labor.....	10.00
R. L. Blaisdell, labor.....	7.00
G. H. Huntington, sand.....	.24
E. K. Bodurtha, sand.....	.72
James A. Fitzgerald, labor.....	2.63
Almon Jones, labor.....	1.40
E. N. Powers, labor.....	1.75
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	\$859.26

Feeding Hills.

Edward E. Smith, labor.....	\$2.10
James F. Barry, plank.....	7.92
James H. Easton, labor.....	219.86
John Miner, labor.....	2.55
H. O. Williams, labor.....	2.55
Joseph Voudrien, labor.....	7.50
Henry Voudrien, labor.....	10.50
Oliver Voudrien, labor.....	9.00
William Voudrien, labor.....	7.50
Mrs. Julia Flower, gravel.....	23.04
Charles L. Brown, gravel.....	1.05
Edward E. Manley, labor.....	24.90
James F. Cleary, labor and lumber.....	8.25
C. E. Hitchcock, pipe.....	10.20
D. W. Corwin, labor.....	8.00
E. M. Wright, labor.....	41.75
D. L. White, labor.....	182.67
C. E. Kent, plank.....	6.60
Spencer Leonard, stone.....	3.00
John G. Burt, labor and gravel.....	3.15
Taylor Bros., labor.....	9.40
Joseph Williams, labor.....	2.55
A. K. Fuller, supplies.....	9.05
George Hines, labor.....	12.00

Flower Leonard, labor.....	\$2.78
Henry J. Shaw, labor.....	9.90
Dwight Taylor, labor.....	7.80
Elmer E. McIntire, labor.....	43.27
D. M. Steere, post,.....	.50
W. E. Cooley, labor.....	3.00
John G. Freeland, stone.....	3.00
Michael B. Kelly, labor.....	1.05
S. H. Sawyer, labor.....	.83
E. M. Pomeroy, labor.....	1.50

\$688.72

Mittineague.

Dennis Crowley, labor.....	\$2.10
James H. Easton, labor.....	33.50
Daniel L. White, labor.....	85.50
Patrick Crowley, labor.....	25.00
John Buckley, labor.....	14.00
James Collins, labor.....	4.65
C. A. Knappe, labor.....	5.00
Thomas Welch, labor.....	12.75
Cornelius Donovan, labor.....	12.00
John Finnegan, labor.....	22.50
Edwin Leonard, 2d, labor.....	72.93
D. W. Corwin, labor.....	4.00
E. M. Wright, labor.....	4.00
Alex. Menard, labor.....	9.00
James F. Barry, plank.....	6.60
Ambrose Choquette, labor.....	1.50
George D. Cooley, labor.....	16.00
H. B. Worden, gravel.....	8.70
Patrick Murphy, labor.....	45.00
John Grady, labor.....	4.12
John Leary, labor.....	8.25
C. E. Hitchcock, pipe.....	4.80
H. W. Austin, labor.....	42.00

W. H. Harmon, labor.....	\$40.13
C. W. Hull, labor.....	11.20
Lewis Phillips, plank.....	7.58
Cornelius Crowley, labor.....	1.75
Daniel Murphy, labor.....	6.00
B. L. Bragg Co., wire.....	3.87
Agawam Paper Co., cement.....	3.30
Robert Ely, Jr., labor.....	13.05
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	\$530.78

Silver Street.

Henry J. Shaw, labor.....	\$18.00
George Hines, labor.....	16.88
Edward A. Manley, labor.....	18.39
Stephen O. Russell, stump puller.....	3.00
Daniel L. White, labor.....	73.63
James H. Easton, labor.....	89.15
William S. Sears, labor.....	9.75
Flower Leonard, labor.....	10.88
James W. Moore, surveying.....	10.00
W. C. Campbell, labor.....	33.75
W. C. Campbell, use of stump puller.....	15.00
John G. Burt, labor.....	36.12
Charles O. Campbell, labor.....	9.00
George W. Pierce, labor.....	15.75
Walter Pierce, labor.....	17.25
W. H. Porter, labor.....	42.00
John Buckley, labor.....	19.50
George E. Covill, labor.....	24.83
H. W. Cook, labor.....	15.75
James Collins, labor.....	18.00
W. B. Rice, labor.....	18.00
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	\$514.63

Agawam Bridge.

Robert Ely, Jr., lighting and oil.....	\$41.45
Robert Ely, Jr., repairs.....	13.90
C. W. Hastings, burners and chimneys.....	.90
Lewis Phillips, snowing.....	7.30
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	\$63.55

Less one-half to West Springfield.....	\$31.78
Total for highways and bridges.....	\$2,706.58
Appropriation.....	\$1,800.00

South End Bridge.

City of Springfield, painting.....	\$338.73
City of Springfield, repairs.....	60.68
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	\$399.41

Appropriation.....	\$500.00
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Contingent Department.

Griffith, Axtell & Cady Co., printing reports,	\$59.10
F. K. Williams & Co., printing,	18.00
Hubbard & Taber Printing Co., printing,	2.50
C. W. Hastings, stationery, express and postage,	25.12
C. W. Hastings, insurance,	166.00
J. W. Hastings, expressage and postage,	6.68
J. W. Hastings, indexing, recording and returning to Sec. of State births, marriages and deaths,	50.85
H. R. Johnson, assessors' books and blanks,	12.50
A. K. Fuller, services as auctioneer,	5.00
A. K. Fuller, justice fees,	3.00
Mrs. A. K. Fuller, dinners for town officers,	6.50
Ladies' Aid Society, suppers for town officers,	2.50
C. C. Spellman, legal services to March, 1895,	105.00
H. E. Bodurtha, copying valuation book,	6.00
H. E. Bodurtha, travelling expenses,	12.00
C. L. Goodhue, water rent,	50.00
E. A. Kellogg, water rent,	50.00
D. A. Toomey, return of deaths,	5.00
Dr. C. J. Downey, return of births,	7.00
Dr. J. W. Hastings, return of births,	4.00
O. W. Studley, officers' fees,	2.25
D. A. Atkins, officers' fees,	6.50
James M. Bean, lockup fees,	2.50
Edwin Leonard, inspection of cattle,	141.23
W. H. Porter, fighting fires, warden,	3.50
W. J. Warriner, fighting fires, warden,	21.30
Monroe Hayward, burial of horses,	2.00
George Covill, burial of horses,	2.00

H. Letellier, teams,	\$3.00
Springfield Republican, advertising,	2.40
Springfield Union Co., advertising,	4.40
J. V. Wolcott, repairing ballot box,	1.50
E. L. Covill, election Furniture.	17.33
John Oldroyd, labor on furniture,	.50
E. L. Thompson, repairs on wagon and harness,	30.00
N. D. Jones & Co., markers for rev. soldiers,	9.00
Harbor and Land Com., on river bank,	69.95
D. D. Sprague, for sewer plans,	31.00
Greenough, Cushing & Adams, ink,	1.13
E. M. Hitchcock, rubber stamps,	1.80
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	\$950.04
Appropriation,	\$800.00

Town Officers.

W. H. Porter, services as moderator,	\$5.00
W. H. Porter, services as auditor,	2.50
F. L. Johnson, services as auditor,	5.00
F. L. Johnson, services as election officer,	2.50
Ralph Perry, Jr., services as election officer,	2.50
J. G. Freeland, services as election officer,	2.50
L. A. Barden, services as election officer,	2.50
James F. Barry, services as election officer,	2.50
John R. Bodurtha, services as election officer,	2.50
Scott Adams, services as election officer,	2.50
J. B. Warren, services as election officer,	2.50
Woodman Pillsbury, services as election officer,	2.50
Henry L. Tower, services as election officer,	2.50
Amos Gosselin, services as election officer,	2.50

Daniel J. Collins, services as election officer,	.	.	\$2.50
P. T. Donovan, services as election officer,	.	.	2.50
Daniel Murphy, services as election officer,	.	.	2.50
J. B. O'Connell, services as election officer,	.	.	5.00
E. E. McIntire, services as election officer,	.	.	5.00
Monroe Hayward, services as truant officer,	.	.	1.75
W. C. Campbell, services as constable,	.	.	5.00
Clinton Sherman, services as constable,	.	.	2.00
James M. Bean, services as police officer,	.	.	243.00
R. Mather Taylor, services as registrar,	.	.	10.00
George D. Frisk, services as registrar,	.	.	20.00
Henry A. Huntington, services as registrar,	.	.	20.00
E. A. Kellogg, services as registrar,	.	.	10.00
J. W. Hastings, services as registrar,	.	.	25.00
Caroline L. Hayward, services, School Committee,	.	.	41.61
Edwin Leonard, services, School Committee,	.	.	40.00
Henry L. Tower, services, School Committee,	.	.	47.00
J. W. Hastings, services as clerk and treasurer,	.	.	175.00
James F. Barry, services as selectman,	.	.	12.50
Albert H. Brown, services as selectman,	.	.	12.50
R. Mather Taylor, services as selectman,	.	.	83.85
R. Mather Taylor, services as assessor,	.	.	36.50
Edwin Leonard 2d, services as selectman,	.	.	96.50
Edwin Leonard 2d, services as assessor,	.	.	15.00
Henry E. Bodurtha, services as selectman,	.	.	125.25
Henry E. Bodurtha, services as assessor,	.	.	42.50

 \$1,122.46

Appropriation,	\$1,000.00
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Care of Town Halls.

W. C. Campbell, janitor,	\$36.00
A. E. Fuller, janitor,	25.25
C. W. Hastings, supplies,	7.39
A. K. Fuller, supplies,	8.00
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					\$76.64
Appropriations,	\$200.00

Repairs on Town Buildings.

Ethan D. Allen, labor,	\$7.25
F. A. Bodurtha, labor,	.	.	.	.	28.73
L. B. Freeman, labor on chimney,	.	.	.	.	35.00
James A. Greene, labor on roof,	.	.	.	.	15.20
D. W. Corwin, labor,	.	.	.	.	1.75
Spencer Leonard, mortar,	.	.	.	.	2.00
Ira Humaston, labor on steps,	.	.	.	.	10.15
Taylor Bros., fence posts,	.	.	.	.	5.70
J. E. Taylor, fence posts,	.	.	.	.	8.00
J. V. Wolcott, labor,	.	.	.	.	1.00
J. C. Belville, nails,	.	.	.	.	.87
J. G. Freeland, brick,75
T. M. Walker, glass,	4.87
D. B. Montague, repairing furnace,	2.00
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					\$123.27
Appropriation,	\$200.00

New School House.

Clough & Reid, architects,	\$220.00
Fuller & Warren Co., heating and ventilating,	.	.	.	.	355.00
L. H. Scott & Co., on contract,	.	.	.	.	5,481.00
L. H. Scott & Co., additional labor,	.	.	.	.	201.60
Daniel L. White, grading,	.	.	.	.	28.00
James H. Easton, grading,	.	.	.	.	27.00
Edwin Leonard, 2d, grading,	.	.	.	.	10.00
Patrick Murphy, grading,	.	.	.	.	9.00
Ambrose Choquette, grading,	.	.	.	.	6.75
W. Buckley, grading,	.	.	.	.	4.87
Cornelius Donovan, grading,	1.50
Springfield Door, Sash & Blind Co., varnish,	8.25
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					\$6,352.97
Amount reported last year on construction,	6,184.53
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Total cost of construction,.	\$12,537.50
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Appropriations, cash,	\$10,000.00
Sale of small school-house and lot,	205.00
Estimated value of school-house and lot not available at present time,	1,500.00
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					\$11,705.00

School Furniture.

Chandler Chair & Desk Co., desks and chairs,	\$323.50
Appropriation,	\$300.00

Street Lights.

James M. Bean, lighting,	.	.	.	.	\$73.50
Albert Nutter, lighting and supplies,	.	.	.	.	6.53
Patrick Flynn, repairs,	.	.	.	.	1.25
H. Letellier, supplies,	.	.	.	.	9.68
W. T. Hastings, lighting,	.	.	.	.	4.29
J. B. Warren, lamp and post,	.	.	.	.	5.50
Robert Ely, Jr., lighting,	2.10
Howard D. Steere,	3.00
W. W. Houghton, step-ladder,	2.25
A. K. Fuller, supplies,	3.65
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					\$111.75
Appropriation,	\$100.00

Memorial Day.

A. P. Loomis, cash,	\$35.00
Appropriation,	\$35.00

State and Military Aid.

William Hitchcock, Chap. 301, Acts of 1894,	.	.	.	.	\$48.00
Elihu Brown,	"	"	.	.	60.00
Mary Howes,	"	"	.	.	48.00
Marcia E. Stevens,	"	"	.	.	40.00
David Woodworth, Chap. 279, Acts of 1894,	144.00
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					\$340.00
Appropriation,	\$250.00

Interest.

Springfield Institution for Savings,	.	.	.	\$565.42
Spencer Savings Bank,	.	.	.	200.00
Leicester Savings Bank,	.	.	.	400.00
Chicopee Savings Bank,	.	.	.	200.00
Plymouth Savings Bank,	.	.	.	200.00
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				\$1,565.42
Appropriation,	.	,	.	\$1,800.00

Town Debt.

Sinking fund,	\$900.00
Appropriation,	\$1,500.00

Liabilities of the Town.

With Interest to April 1.

One note payable to Desire A. Payne on demand, interest 6 per cent.,	.	.	.	.	\$2,129.50
Five notes payable at the National Bank of the Commonwealth, June 1, 1914, interest 4 per cent.,	.	.	.	.	25,333.33
One note payable to Springfield Institution for Savings on demand, interest 4 per cent.,	.	.	.	.	4,053.32
One note payable June 1, 1900, interest 4 per cent.,	.	.	.	.	1,013.33
" " " June 1, 1901, " " "	.	.	.	.	1,013.33
" " " June 1, 1902, " " "	1,013.33
" " " June 1, 1903, " " "	1,013.33
" " " June 1, 1904, " " "	1,013.33
" " " June 1, 1905, " " "	5,066.65
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					\$41,649.45

Assets.

Cash in treasury,	\$70.28
Due from L. A. Barden, collector, 1896,	1,818.90
E. M. Wright, collector, 1896,	1,266.97
Amos Gosselin, collector, 1896,	1,412.31
West Springfield, bridge account,	31.78
Russell, care of poor,	5.50
Southwick, care of poor,	113.50
Hatfield, care of poor,	40.70
Northampton, care of poor,	6.00
State, care of poor,	28.33
State, cattle inspection,	70.61
State and military aid,	252.00
Sinking Fund,	2,702.29
Sewer Assessments,	57.83
Value of town farm and supplies,	1,800.00
Value of road machines and tools,	200.00
Estimated value of school property for sale,	1,500.00
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	\$11,377.00
 Excess of liabilities over assets,	 \$30,272.45

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
EDWIN LEONARD, 2D,
R. MATHER TAYLOR,

Selectmen.

Agawam, March 10, 1897.

Report of the Public Library Trustees.

During the early part of the year, the number of books borrowed, somewhat decreased, as few new books had been purchased for some time; but after the additions were made, the circulation increased in all parts of the town.

The removal of the library at Mittineague to the new school building has greatly increased its usefulness. The coming year it is hoped to add books of reference and a reliable encyclopedia, which will make it a valuable aid to the schools.

Johnson's Cyclopedia has been placed in the Center library this year, and the Cyclopedia Britannica was placed in the Feeding Hills library the year previous.

An excellent Historical Encyclopedia is also at the Center library and the people are invited to make all the use possible of these books of reference.

New purchases will be made early in the year, and more shelf room is needed in each part of the town, as well as some new furnishing for the accommodation of the public.

Amount of Money Available.

Amount in the treasury, March, 1896. . . .	\$225.64
Appropriation, dog fund,	215.52
Income, Mary A. Phelon fund,	20.20
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	\$461.36

Amount Expended.

Goodenough & Woglom Co., books,	\$73.73
Chas. Scribners' Sons, toward Cyclopedia Britannica, . .	37.50
D. Appleton & Co., Johnson's Cyclopedia,	50.00

A. L. Tower, books,	\$5.00
W. F. Adams Co., books,	3.60
Henry S. Johnson, books,	107.09
C. W. Hastings, book-covers,	3.50
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	\$280.42

Amount in the treasury, March 1, 1897, . . . \$180.94

Books.

Number of books in the library, March, 1896, . . .	\$1,509
Added by purchase,	255
Sent by the State,	8
Number in the library, March 1, 1897, . . .	1,772

Number of Book Borrowers.

Agawam,	\$164
Feeding Hills,	126
Mittineague,	60

Circulation.

Agawam,	\$1,735
Feeding Hills,	1,156
Mittineague,	398

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. TOWER,
CAROLINE LEONARD HAYWARD,
S. NEWELL SMITH.

Trustees.

REPORT OF

Inspector of Animals and Provisions.

To the Selectmen of Agawam :

GENTLEMEN :—During the past year I have made one general inspection, involving the examination of nearly sixteen hundred (1600) neat cattle and 450 swine. Have taken measurements of all stables where cattle are kept, noted the sanitary conditions, sources of water supply, with possibilities of contamination, and have reported the same to State Cattle Commissioners.

Nineteen (19) animals have been quarantined, condemned, and destroyed, all being found, upon autopsy, to be diseased.

I have attended one hundred and forty-five (145) slaughterings, at which were killed 273 veal calves, 9 beeves and 11 swine.

Two (2) beeves have been condemned at slaughter houses, being found tuberculous.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN LEONARD,

Inspector.

Articles in the Warrant for Town Meeting,

APRIL 5, 1897.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose by ballot for the ensuing year, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, three Assessors, three Overseers of Poor, a Board of Health of three members, three Collectors of Taxes, two Auditors, three Surveyors of Highways, ten Constables, one member of the School Committee for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Sinking Fund Commissioner for three years, one Trustee of "Whiting Street Fund" for two years and one for one year to fill a vacancy, also to vote on the same ballot upon the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town."

ARTICLE 3. To choose all necessary town officers not provided for in the foregoing article.

ARTICLE 4. To hear and act upon the reports of town officers.

ARTICLE 5. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow temporarily, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, a sum not to exceed five thousand dollars, as the same may be from time to time required, and to give a note or notes of the Town, for money so borrowed, and that he be also authorized to pay such loans from said taxes.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars, for the observance of Memorial Day.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the building of a sewer in Mittineague, according to plans in the hands of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote a discount on taxes.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will charge interest on taxes.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept a "Trust Fund" under the will of Mary E. Phelon which provides that said Fund shall be invested and managed by the Treasurer of the Town of Agawam as Trustee, the income to be used annually under the supervision of the Agawam Town School Committee, solely for the benefit of the schools in Feeding Hills parish.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will accept a private way as laid out by the Selectmen over land of Edward M. and Jennie E. Wright.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will take any action in regard to building a new bridge over the Agawam river.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to place fire extinguishers in the town buildings.

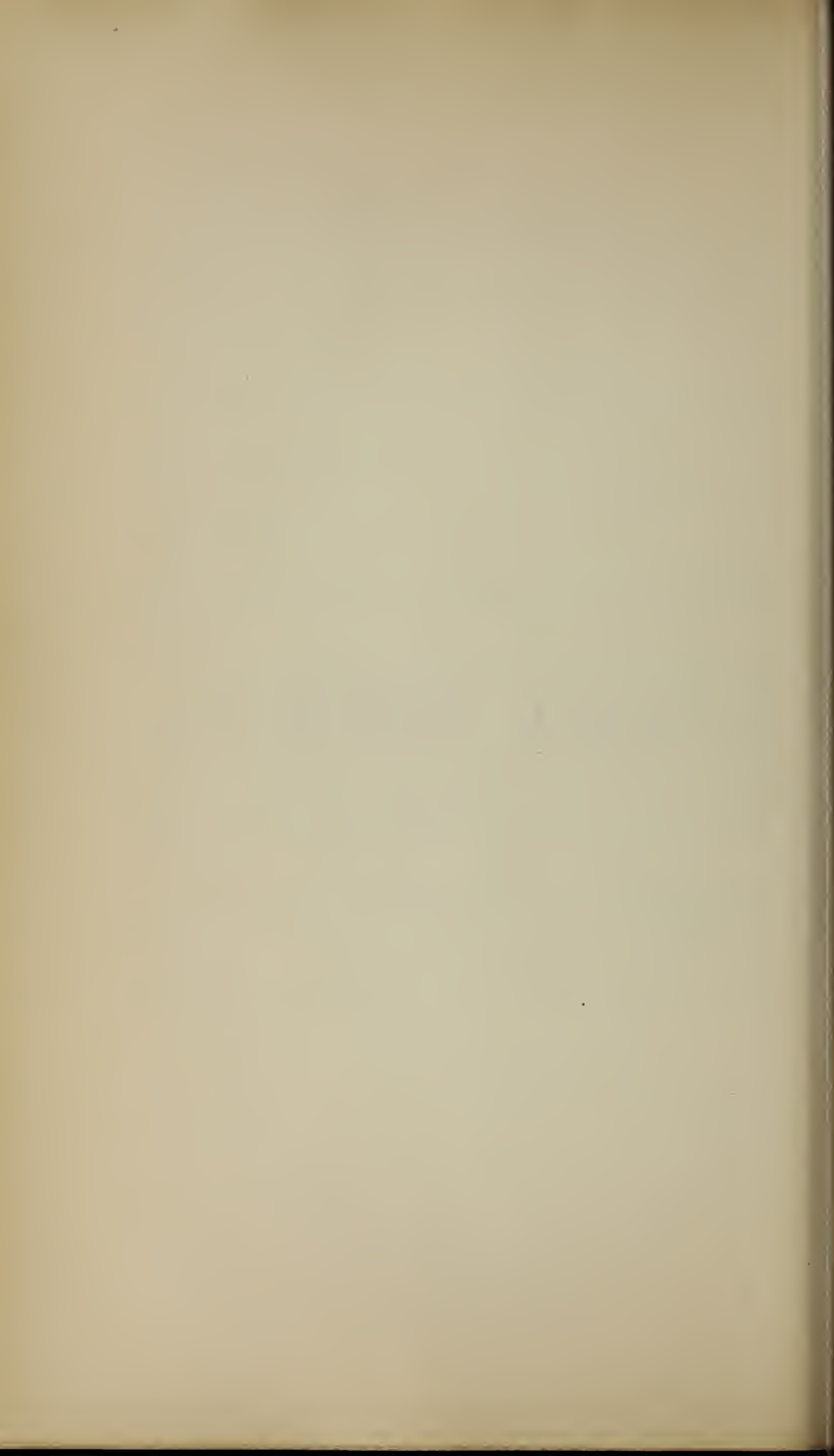
ARTICLE 15. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year, and to vote to raise by tax such sums of money as may be required for the same.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will accept the following list of jurors: Charles W. Hastings, Willis C. Campbell, John Wright, Joseph C. McVeigh, Monroe Hayward, Frank J. Pomeroy, James T. Brady, Samuel S. Bodurtha, Ralph Perry, Jr., John Reilly, Edmund N. Powers, Henry L. Tower, Herbert Knox, Woodman Pillsbury, Amos Gosselin, Daniel O'Brien, Wilson J. Warriner, James F. Barry, Charles L. Brown, Samuel N. Smith, William H. Granger, George E. Howe, Albert H. Brown, Edward M. Wright, Oscar A. Parks, James J. Othick, William L. Meacham.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to gather historical facts with a view of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the town.

ARTICLE 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

SCHOOL REPORTS.



REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee again present their annual report.

During the year just closed, the schools have been in session thirty-five (35) weeks.

At the beginning of the fall term, five schools were opened in the new building at Mittineague, making it possible to carry out a better system of grading, than could be done in the four schools in the old building.

In the early part of the winter, some trouble was experienced at the new building in regard to the operation of the heating and ventilating system, owing in part, to the inexperience of the janitor, and to thoughtlessness on the part of teachers in opening the cold air flues when the rooms became too warm, and leaving them open until the rooms became thoroughly cooled and the pupils complained of being cold. The boys also have carried on a system of mischievous actions, in meddling with the furnace and ventilators whenever they have been allowed in the basement, and it is necessary that a suitable partition should be placed to keep them entirely separate from everything but the closet.

Some of the blackboards are already in a very bad condition and need re-painting, and the clean white walls of the building have been very much disfigured by pencil marks.

Adequate shelf accommodations are very much needed in the supply room.

The West street school-house in Agawam has been standing in a pond of water this spring and something must be done to change the condition of things there. The attention of the town has been called to the lack of filling about this building every year since it was erected, and nothing has been done. In its present condition, it is a menace to the health of teacher and pupils.

The South school-house in Agawam needs some internal repairs.

The out-houses at Feeding Hills Center must be attended to and a complete separation is desired and recommended, with necessary fence and screens.

During the winter term the attendance at school has been considerably affected by contagious diseases—which have appeared at various times—stormy days and bad roads, but one of the most serious problems those engaged in school work have to face, is the indifference of parents as to whether their children go to school or not; and if they do go, they have no regard for regularity and promptness.

The teaching of vocal music was commenced at the beginning of the school year, and half hour lessons have been given every week in all the schools, with exercises in physical culture, proper breathing and enunciation, and the improvement in most of the schools has been quite marked.

EDWIN LEONARD,
HENRY L. TOWER,
CAROLINE LEONARD HAYWARD,

School Committee.

Financial Statement.

Expenditures.

FOR TUITION AT WEST SPRINGFIELD HIGH SCHOOL FOR

Earle Bodurtha,	\$30.00
Irving Bodurtha,	30.00
Laura Clark,	30.00
Katie Danahy,	30.00
Clarence Duclos,	21.00
Frances Ely,	30.00
Ocie Kenyon,	30.00
Maud Miller,	30.00
Nettie Osborn,	30.00
James J. O'Brien,	30.00
Fred Paro,	21.00
Julia Pomroy,	30.00
Sadie Reilly,	30 00
Bertha Roberts,	9.00
Ida Roy,	30 00
Mary Sullivan,	30.00
Mabel Todd,	30.00
Laura Worden,	30.00
Jennie Worthington,	9.00
Harry W. Hastings,	21 00
Clara McVeigh,	21 00
Lora T. Smith,	12.00
	<u>\$564.00</u>

Appropriation, \$800.00

FOR SUPERINTENDENT AND SUPPLIES.

Fairfield Whitney, Superintendent,	\$500.00
Fairfield Whitney, expenses,	7.59
Holden Book Cover Co., paper,	6.00
Springfield Printing Co., printing,	3.10

H. Rude, paper and ink,	\$7.00
Springfield News Co., supplies,	17 51
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	86.81
Lee & Shepard, books,	14 50
Perry, Mason & Co., books,	20.16
Morgan Envelope Co., envelopes,	2.75
Ginn & Co., books,	117.84
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, books,	36 38
Silver, Burdett & Co., books,	49 80
Edward E. Babb & Co., books,	3.24
Werner School Book Co., books,	44.94
H. L. Tower, express and freight,	6.24
King, Richardson Publishing Co., music system,	32.40
Belle W. Corwin, music teacher,	120.00

\$1,076.26

AGAWAM SCHOOLS.

Edward B. Jones, teaching 11 weeks,	\$132 00
Edward B. Jones, care of room,	11.00
Marie West, teaching 35 weeks,	315 00
Jennie S. Thomson, teaching 35 weeks,	280.00
George B. Whitney, teaching 24 weeks,	288.00
George B. Whitney, care of room,	1.00
Hulda U. Gates, teaching 35 weeks,	280.00
Hulda U. Gates, care of room,	17.50
Grace Cushman, teaching 10 weeks,	70.00
Grace Cushman, care of room,	5.00
Mrs. Edith Havens, teaching 24 weeks,	168 00
Mrs. Edith Havens, care of room,	12.00
J. V. Wolcott, repairs,	25.61
John Van Slyke, cleaning,	7.05
C. W. Hastings, supplies,	3.95
C. E. Hitchcock, lumber,	7.34
Stockwell & Farnsworth, coal,	11.00
W. F. Cook, coal,	135.59
O. L. King, wood,	20.00
L. L. Thomson, care of rooms,	23.00
George Havens, cleaning,	1.00
Whitcomb Stove Co., repairs,	2.00
W. C. Campbell, cleaning and wood,	2 45
Monroe Haywood, repairs and cleaning,	3.75
W. B. Rice, carrying teachers,	3.50
W. C. Campbell, janitor,	56.00
L. W. Dickinson, use of well,	5.00

\$1,886.74

FEEDING HILLS SCHOOLS.

Alice E. Powers, teaching 11 weeks,	\$143 00
Sarah A. Graves, teaching 35 weeks,	309 50
Emma M. Bolton, teaching 24 weeks,	288.00
L. May Huntley, teaching 35 weeks,	280 00
L. May Huntley, care of room,	17.50
Mary Taylor, care of rooms,	16.00
O. D. Case & Co., blackboards,	8.16
A. K. Fuller, wood,	10.50
James F. Barry, wood,	5.50
Stockwell & Farnsworth, coal,	5 75
W. F. Cook, coal,	96 00
Arthur Moran, sawing wood,	1.50
W. W. Houghton, repairs on table,	1.00
Edwin Leonard, repairs and supplies,	9 77
George R. Estabrook, grate,	1.80
A. K. Fuller, supplies,	.90
A. E. Fuller, janitor,	53.05
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	\$1,247.93

MITTINEAGUE SCHOOLS.

Bessie F. Leonard, teaching 11 weeks,	\$99.00
Josie M. Danahy, teaching 11 weeks,	99.00
Jennie E. Alderman, teaching 35 weeks,	315.00
Hattie J. Strong, teaching 11 weeks,	132 00
M. C. Connors, teaching 24 weeks,	216 00
Agnes I. Tubbs, teaching 24 weeks,	216.00
Nellie O'Keefe, teaching 24 weeks,	216.00
Earnest A. Sweet, teaching 24 weeks,	288.00
Frank R. Ross, janitor,	33.00
W. H. Tower, janitor,	96.00
Jerre Roberts, labor,	47.75
W. H. Tower, labor,	6.00
Wilfred Duclos, repairs,	10.75
Homer Foot & Co., supplies,	1.10
Meekins, Packard & Wheat, supplies,	31.90
Chandler Chair and Desk Co., ink wells,	4.00
Springfield Sash Co., glass,	5.26

H. Letellier & Son, team,	\$1.00
H. L. Tower, moving furniture,	4.20
Stockwell & Farnsworth, coal and wood,	20.00
W. F. Cook, coal,	183.71
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	\$2,025.67

Total expended,	\$6,236.60
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Amount available :

Appropriation,	\$5,500.00
Income Mass. School Fund,	208.39
State Treas. for Superintendent,	416.66
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	\$6,125.05

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF AGAWAM :

This is my third annual report and the sixth in the series of Superintendent's reports.

In the past year I have made one hundred ninety-three school visits and held five local teachers' meetings in each section of the town. A part of the program at several of these has been the discussion of the "Course of Studies for Elementary Schools" which teachers have been following since the opening of the fall term. The order of work in this differs but little from the outlines hitherto used, but it gives more time to language and reading in the early years and less to geography. It is necessary to have some such guide and this seems best for us at present because a copy for each school is furnished gratis by the State, the new teachers are more likely to be familiar with this than with one that is used in only a few towns, and the order of work and methods suggested have the approval of our highest authority.

Three general meetings have been held. At Mittineague, Thursday afternoon, April 23, Mr. James Hall gave the teachers a lesson on drawing in connection with nature study. Saturday forenoon, September 5, Mr. J. S. Cooley explained the peculiarities of vertical writing at Agawam. Mr. A. W. Edson visited the Mittineague schools September 28. December 11, he visited the Agawam and Feeding Hills schools. That evening he held a conference with the teachers upon mistakes he had seen in their work, and afterwards addressed the people.

Teachers.

There have been eighteen different teachers in the schools during the year. Some of these are graduates of a normal or training school, and three others have attended such an institution.

The selection and retention of good teachers is one of the most serious problems that confront the school officials of the smaller towns. The public has a very good idea of the qualities a teacher should possess. We can all see that character, energy, education, culture, adaptation to the work, and professional training are desirable. How can we be sure to secure these?

It is worth while to look at the other side and consider some of the characteristics which, aside from location, give a community a good reputation among teachers who are seeking situations.

1. A long school year. A good teacher prefers this, not only because her salary is larger, but also because she can do more work with her pupils and better fit herself for a first-class situation.

2. Plenty of supplies. Without these good work is much more difficult, and she has no opportunity to become familiar with the "tools of the trade."

3. Suitable buildings, clean, warm, well ventilated, equipped with plenty of blackboards and other conveniences, and having wholesome and attractive surroundings.

4. Opportunities for improvement, a chance to visit other schools, time and means to attend teachers' meetings and institutes.

5. Prompt and intelligent support by the school officials in the serious perplexities of instruction and management.

6. A cordial and helpful spirit in the community. A good boarding place, pleasant greetings and frequent visits to the school sometimes count for more than money.

Is there not danger that, under the town system of management, citizens may lose the feeling of personal responsibility for their schools?

The above conditions are all within the control of citizens, all contribute to efficient schools in other ways besides in securing and retaining skilled teachers, and none of them involve expenditure at all commensurate with the results secured.

Reading.

In the past few years some care has been taken to lead children to read the best books. The course of study particularizes four ways of doing this :

1. Story telling and reading by the teacher.
2. Reading in the class.
3. Memorizing selections.
4. Leading children to read books from the prepared list.

I have made some investigation, hoping to answer approximately such questions as these :

How many of the children read but few books?

What books do the children choose?

How much influence do the schools exert?

Pupils in fifth grade and above were asked to make lists of the six best books each ever read. I intended to include fourth grade but only one school was found where children had done reading enough to warrant this.

Number of pupils,	173
Number who reported less than six books,	22
Number of votes	979
Votes for American history and biography,	78
Votes for geography and natural science,	93
Votes for reading material used in school,	160
Votes for standard books,	586
Votes for apparently objectionable books,	5

The books receiving the highest number of votes in order of popularity are : "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Black Beauty," "Seven Little Sisters," "Robinson Crusoe." The second and third are used as readers in our schools.

An examination of the papers is suggestive and reveals the influence of the home, the teacher, the Public Library and the school libraries.

I am satisfied that more than half the choicest reading of the children is due directly to school influence, and that more than one-fourth of the material is furnished by the schools.

We should make it impossible for a child to complete the grammar school course without becoming familiar with half a dozen of the best books in the English language.

Music and Penmanship.

Music is the only thing yet introduced into school work that is not required by law. Miss Corwin's report will show what she has attempted. Her work has been faithful and enthusiastic, and she has carried out her program in full, except in one week, when she was prevented by illness.

Music has come to be a part of regular work in all well-equipped schools. "It adds to school life a means of culture, lifts the thoughts above evil things to those which are good, true and beautiful, and is thus a strong element in the moral training of the pupils, making stronger and better men and women of those who are brought under its influence."

The practice of singing at opening exercises as heretofore carried on has some value but it cannot take the place of drill on the rudiments of music. This teaches the pupil to do the "right thing at the right time." Singing schools are out of date and the public school is the only place where the average boy and girl will ever receive any instruction.

Few things that the child learns will oftener be put to practical use in after life.

It is a source of enjoyment at social gatherings and a recognized means of divine worship. Granted that it is "Only a substantive contribution to the enjoyment of life," one duty of the public school is to teach children how to properly enjoy themselves. Unless they learn to do this in ways that are refining and elevating they will seek means that are degrading and debasing.

Vertical writing was introduced into the four lowest grades at the beginning of the fall term. Its advantages were so evident that its use has been gradually extended until about all the instruction now given is in this style. No child who could write in a creditable manner has been required to change.

We have made no experiment at the expense of the children. "Vertical penmanship is no 'fad.' It is a genuine new-comer and

will abide as long as it reforms penmanship as fast as it has in the past two years." The simple form, large size, and upright position of the letters enable beginners to acquire a legible hand in a very short time, and it is possible to keep in proper position at all times those who are using it. Teachers have been pleased with the change and the improvement in their work is no less noticeable than in that of the pupils.

Equipment and Attendance.

The surroundings of the Mittineague children have been revolutionized. They have shown their appreciation by better attendance. The per cent for the fall and winter terms in the five schools was ninety-five.

In 1893, ten age certificates were given there to children between fourteen and sixteen years of age; in 1894, eleven; in 1895, thirteen; in 1896, six. The Agawam Grammar school has had an unusually large membership this winter, but when sections are compared, about all the increase for the year has been at Mittineague.

Schools have a good stock of text books and supplies. The exchanges advocated in last year's report have all been made. These mean better books and money saved. No books are introduced that are not good enough to stay until worn out.

Maps and reference books are needed. Twenty-five per cent of the income of the school fund can and should be used in this way.

There were nineteen Agawam pupils in the West Springfield High school in the spring, twenty in the fall, and seventeen in the winter. Our enrollment there next year is likely to be less than twenty-five. The tuition will be raised to thirty-five dollars the coming year and probably forty the year following. The school is thoroughly equipped and our students are doing excellent work. We cannot hope to offer such opportunities in a school of our own for anything like the amount we should pay there.

In conclusion, I wish to thank, in behalf of the children, every one who has aided in the effort to secure efficient schools in our town.

Respectfully submitted,

FAIRFIELD WHITNEY.

MUSIC.

Within the past year music in the public schools has been a subject of much discussion. It has been and is my desire to spare no efforts in making each lesson profitable to schools and scholars individually and collectively.

I have the schools of Mittineague, Agawam and Feeding Hills, including thirteen rooms. I visit each room once a week and am allowed a half hour. The work is often exacting and especially among the higher grades I usually extend over the time.

From the beginning my intention has been to teach singing in a way that is beneficial physically and mentally.

The steps we have taken are breathing, singing vowels and exercises, intervals, staff and position of notes, singing songs intelligently. The words of each song are studied before using them vocally.

Sight reading (singing quickly and accurately at sight) is pursued in the grammar rooms with good results, although in only one room are there books.

The ability I find satisfying, the progress I can truthfully say has been good, in some rooms excellent. Of course the voices of the older children are capable of more pronounced work, especially in reading music and singing songs in two parts, but the most faithful and enthusiastic pupils I find among younger ones from seven to twelve years of age.

I often compare the schools of this territory with those of larger places and I feel assured, despite the difficulties, that the time has been wisely occupied.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLE W. CORWIN.

Laws Relating to School Attendance.

Each child is required to be vaccinated before attending school, unless a regular physician certifies that he is an unfit subject for vaccination.

All children between eight and fourteen must attend school thirty weeks per year.

No child under thirteen years of age shall be employed in any in-door work performed for wages or other compensation during the hours when the public schools are in session, or in any manner during such hours unless during the year next preceding such employment he has attended school for at least thirty weeks.

EXTRACTS FROM RULES AND REGULATIONS OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Full time for all sessions shall be twenty-seven hours per week exclusive of recesses.

Teachers shall punctually observe the hours of opening and closing school, but they may detain a pupil for a reasonable length of time, after the close of the afternoon session, for cause.

Teachers shall require a satisfactory excuse from parents or guardians for all cases of tardiness or absence. No pupil shall be allowed to leave school, except in case of sickness or other necessity, unless by request of parent or guardian.

Unless excused by a member of the Committee, teachers shall be present in the school room at least fifteen minutes before the commencement of the session, and shall report each failure to be there in their monthly reports to the Superintendent.

Teachers are expected to devote the time of recess to careful supervision of their pupils. During very cold and inclement weather keeping children too long in the open air, either before school or at recess, should be avoided.

Teachers shall not dismiss their schools or be absent during school hours without permission of the Superintendent or Committee, except in case of sickness, or of some sudden emergency, and then immediate notice of the fact must be given to the Superintendent or Committee.

Pupils who are unable to read shall be admitted to the schools only during the first two weeks of the fall and spring terms.

Pupils will be held liable for any unnecessary damage to school property, such as marking or tearing books, defacing or injuring buildings and fixtures.

Roll of Honor.

Names of pupils who have not been absent during one or more terms

ONE TERM.

William Arnold,
Albina Arnold,
Rhea Bassette,
Clothoman Bassette,
Albert Barden,
Alice Barlow,
Bethia L. Barton,
Nellie Bitgood,
Charlie Blaisdell,
Harry E. Brown,
Bertha Brouse,
Charlie Brouse,
Bessie Cavanaugh,
James Cavanaugh,
Juddy Cavanaugh,
Josie Corkery,
Lizzie Corkery,
Katie Corkery,
George Craven,
Dolly Connors,
Dorothy Connors,
John Connors,
Rosamond Connors,
Theodore Cosgrain,
Clarence Cosgrain,
Walter C. Johnson,
Clifford Jones,
Nellie Kirby,
Robert B. Kempton,
Frank Kellogg,
Lawrence Lafond,
Delia Lafond,
Willis Learned,

Fannie Crowley,
George Cross,
Eva Cross,
Harold Cooley,
Willie Curran,
Maggie Curran,
Lawrence Cushman,
Henry Deforge,
Ashel Devenew,
Bessie Deslauriers,
Eddie Deslauriers,
Everest Deslauriers,
Viola Duclos,
Florence Duclos,
Eva Dudley,
Richard Dudley,
Jacob T. Diegel,
Bud Dodge,
Harold L. Frost,
Emory Gosselin,
Clifford M. Granger,
Harry W. Hastings,
Mary J. Hastings,
Arthur Hayward,
Frank Hruby,
Eva Roberts,
Ethel Rollinson,
Freddie Rogers,
Willie Rowe,
Emile Roi,
Margaret L. Raiche.
Mabel Randall,
Alif Rice,

Elwin Mecum,
 Harry Macomber,
 Willie Meyrick,
 Frank McKinnon,
 Almeria Maynard,
 Katie O'Brien,
 Bertha Osborne,
 Lena Provost,
 Paul Parent,
 Ernest Parent,
 George Porter,
 Mary Pomeroy,
 Florence Pomeroy,
 Dennis Quirk,
 Thomas Quirk,
 Homer Quintal,

Eddie St. Lewis,
 Mary Shea,
 John Shea,
 Lora T. Smith,
 Fannie A. Sweatland,
 Elmer Seymour,
 Louise M. Taylor,
 Sadie E. Taylor,
 Ella M. Thayer,
 Edna Todd,
 Fred Vezina,
 Armeline Vezina,
 Clementine Vezina,
 Loretta Vedeman,
 Mary Wilson,
 Carrie Wilkinson,

Harold Worthington.

TWO TERMS.

Bridget Begley,
 Miriam A. Brown,
 Bertha Bennett,
 Ethel Bodurtha,
 Sarah Brouse,
 Lizzie Cross,
 Lena B. Chaffee,
 Eva Dugan,
 Freddie Duclos,
 Nellie Dodge,
 Cordelia Devenew,
 Harry Dudley,
 Clinton Edgar,
 Wm. Fitzgerald,
 Charlie Farreoli,
 George Gosselin,
 Freddie Goulet,

Philip W. Hastings,
 Joseph R. Hastings,
 Walter Hayward,
 Joseph Hruby,
 Arthur Jones,
 Irving Madden,
 Eugene Madden,
 Ora Maynard,
 Ida Morgan,
 Elsie Othick
 George O'Brien,
 Abbie Roberts,
 Leo Roi,
 Willie D. Smith,
 Mamie Scully,
 Frank Tongue,
 Julia Tower,

Sadie Wright.

THREE TERMS.

Edith Bodurtha,
 John Dean,
 Arthur Goodrich,

Percival V. Hastings,
 Thompson Hastings,
 Walter J. Oldroyd.

DETAILED STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR 1896-7.

SCHOOLS.	Terms.	TEACHERS.	Wages per month	No. weeks in term.	Pupils Enrolled	Average Membership.	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Days Absence.	Tardinesses.	Dismissals.	Visits by Citizens.
Agawam.....	S.	Edward B. Jones.....	\$48	11 25	21.	19.3	91.9	91.5	20	6	6	
Grammar....	F.	George B. Whitney.....	48	12 36	34.9	32.6	93.4	189.5	9	9	2	
	W.		48	12 40	36.8	32	87.	273.5	27	14	7	
Agawam.....	S.	Marie E. West.....	36	11 29	28.4	26.5	93.3	98.	37	7	5	
Intermediate.	F.		36	12 34	32.8	31.	94.5	117.	58	20	7	
	W.		36	12 34	32.3	28.5	88.2	215	70	23	17	
Agawam.....	S.	Jennie S. Thomson.....	32	11 28	28.8	25.8	89.6	122.5	64	15	10	
Primary.....	F.		32	12 28	24.8	22.8	91.9	121.5	38	17	15	
	W.		32	12 25	21.4	17.3	80.8	263	28	7	10	
Agawam.....	S.	Hulda U. Gates..	32	11 33	31	27.5	88.7	177.	27	8	6	
West St.....	F.		32	12 28	26.	23.1	88.9	172.	50	16	1	
	W.		32	12 30	25.6	20.6	80.5	296.	68	24	3	
Agawam.....	S.	Grace Cushman.....	28	11 22	20.3	18.7	92.1	84.	81	39	13	
South.....	F.	Mrs. G. H. Havens.....	28	12 25	24.6	23.4	95.1	68.	26	20	15	
	W.		28	12 23	22.5	20.	88.9	152.5	7	3	13	
Feeding Hills	S.	Alice E. Powers.....	52	11 34	29.9	27.5	92.	126.	20	23	8	
Grammar....	F.	Emma M. Bolton....	48	12 39	35.4	32.3	91.2	162.5	53	26	2	
	W.		48	12 35	28.5	25.8	90.5	157.5	40	12	5	
Feeding Hills	S.	Sarah A. Graves.....	34	11 47	39.1	35.1	89.8	205.	41	33	3	
Primary.....	F.		36	12 49	36.9	33.5	90.8	191.5	79	88	1	
	W.		36	12 39	33.8	28.8	85.2	287.	106	37	4	
Feeding Hills	S.	L. May Huntley.....	32	11 23	17.2	16.1	93.6	58.	7	6	2	
West St.....	F.		32	12 23	20.4	19.4	95.1	59.	12	11	7	
	W.		32	12 18	15.7	14.9	94.9	40.	7	7	2	
Mittineague.	S.	Hattie J. Strong.....	48	11 28	22.3	19.7	88.3	141.	46	25	13	
Grammar....	F.	Ernest A. Sweet.....	48	12 29	23.1	21.6	93.5	56.	40	8	4	
	W.		48	12 22	18.6	17.5	94.1	49.5	19	6	7	
Mittineague	S.	Jennie E. Alderman.....	36	11 37	26.4	23.9	90.5	129.5	24	5	1	
No. 4.	F.		36	12 30	27.6	26.1	94.6	62.	23	3	7	
	W.		36	12 27	23.8	21.9	92.	74.	20	0	2	
Mittineague	S.	Besse F. Leonard.....	36	11 33	30.7	26.8	87.3	169.5	35	17	1	
No. 3.	F.	Margarite C. Connor.....	36	12 44	39.9	39.6	99.3	15.	0	0	3	
	W.		36	12 38	35.8	34.7	96.9	54.	3	0	4	
Mittineague	S.	Josie M. Danahy.....	36	11 65	56.	47.6	85.	384.5	163	1	2	
No. 2.	F.	Nellie O'Keefe.....	36	12 38	35.7	35.3	98.9	22.5	0	0	1	
	W.		36	12 39	35.2	34.4	97.7	45.	2	0	3	
Mittineague	S.	Agnes I. Tubbs.....	36	12 40	37.3	35.4	94.9	106.	19	1	10	
No. 1.	F.		36	12 37	31.4	28.3	90.	165.	26	1	5	

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Number of persons in the town on the first of May, 1896,			
between five and fifteen years of age,	.	.	489
Number between eight and fourteen,	.	.	289
" of pupils between five and fifteen,	.	.	501
" " " over fifteen,	.	.	24
" " " under five,	.	.	5
" " " between eight and fourteen,	.	.	311
" " " enrolled,	.	.	530
Average membership,	.	.	382
" attendance,	.	.	349
Per cent. of attendance,	.	.	91.2
Number of pupils in private school at Mittineague,	.	.	30
" " students in West Springfield High School,	.	.	22

Report of Truant Officer.

AGAWAM, MASS., March 15, 1897.

Four cases of truancy have been looked after, and the boys returned to school.

Four or five families have been visited whose children have been irregular in attendance, and several cases of misconduct have been investigated.

MONROE HAYWARD.

